

November 8, 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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E-mail: [ourladymercy@dor.org](mailto:ourladymercy@dor.org)

### Office Hours:

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

We close for lunch between 12:00 PM – 1:00 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, November 7**

5:30 Leonard McIntyre by Carol & Henry Smalle

**Sunday, November 8-Stewardship Sunday**

9:00 Joseph & Helen Janzcak

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

**Monday, November 9-Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome**

8:00 For all the Veterans

**Tuesday, November 10-Leo the Great, pope & dr.**

8:00 Marianne Ross by daughter, Jeanne

**Wednesday, November 11-Martin of Tours, bishop**

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

**Thursday, November 12-Josaphat, bishop & martyr**

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

**Friday, November 13**

6:30 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

**Saturday, November 14**

4:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

5:30 Mary Koen by Dorothy Brophy

**Sunday, November 15**

9:00 Albert Falcipieri by Friends, Mary & Lou Cinquino

9:00 The Annual OLM Remembrance Service

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

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

**Sunday, November 1**

Breakfast after mass

10:15 AM Rosary

**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**

Breakfast after mass

10:15 AM Rosary

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation

**OLM-Statistics Report-November 11**

Attendance: 8:00-97 9:30-122 Total-219

Collection Report

Sunday Envelopes: \$4,801.00

Sunday Loose: \$ 111.00

Average envelope: (120) \$40.01

All Souls Day \$ 207.00

All Saints Day \$ 518.00

Other income: \$ 188.65

Total **\$5,825.65**

Accounts Payable

Monroe County Catholic Schools: \$9,000.00

Diocesan Invoices-PSIP \$9,000.00

New PSIP bill \$9,000.00

Operating Expenses \$ -0-

Year to date income \$115,046.85

Year to date expenses \$104,126.66

Thank you for your generosity!

This week we paid: bi weekly payroll

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

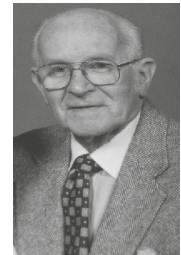
**If possible it would be easiest to move the previously scheduled 8AM masses to the 5:30PM Saturday mass and the previously scheduled 9:30AM masses to the 9:00AM Sunday mass.**

**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**



**In Memory of John Koval  
January 21, 1917-November 15, 2005  
Veteran of World War II**



**John Koval** was born in Avon, New York where he lived for thirty years before his marriage at Sacred Heart Cathedral in 1947. He and his wife, Gloria, had a son and a daughter, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He served his country February, 1942 to October, 1945, as an Army Air Force Sergeant.

Sgt. Koval was an armorer for the 61st Fighter Squadron and 56th Fighter Group, helping to prepare fighter planes for their missions over Nazi Germany.

Mr. Koval worked at DuPont Company for 43 years after his service defending our freedom.

The service flag that was used at his funeral will be raised on the flagpole at Holy Name of Jesus Church next Sunday at 10:50 AM.

Next Sunday is the fourth anniversary of John's death. We invite members of both churches, most especially our veterans, to attend this ceremony.

Thanks to Mrs. Gloria Koval who donated her husband's Army service flag which will fly at the Holy Name office entrance until Memorial Day.

Sincerely, *Fr. Gagnier*



**Veteran's Day 2009**



**OLM Liturgy Assignments**

There are not many who have signed up for the liturgical minister positions. I am having difficulty filling spaces. Please let me know what your Mass preference is.

Schedule will be sent by email and put on the file cabinets in the hallway between the church and the parish hall.

**Your Parish Pastoral Council  
contact for**  
  
**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 handcrafted items and new or **gently used** Christmas items, please NO trees.

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!

### 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).

### Social Ministry Committee

The next Social Ministry Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 11 at Pat Howell's home. Please give her a call/email and let her know whether or not you'll be attending.

### Many Thanks

A huge thank you to all who were able to help with our two recent collections. Melita House and the St. Vincent dePaul Society really appreciate the donations we were able to bring to them. These are very hard times for all and your generosity is very much appreciated.

### Building Peace with Justice

The two widows are the heroes and role models of our readings today. They are the "poorest of the poor". Although neither one knows what life will bring, they step out in faith, and take the next "God-step" in their life's journey. They are not shackled by fear, the unknown future, or material attachments and so they have the freedom to do God's will. Unblinded and unfettered, they are free to respond to God's radical call to hospitality and generosity.

Reflection: What fears and attachments do we need to recognize and shake off so we are free to respond to God's call? How is God calling us to be more hospitable and generous in these unstable times?



### Remembrance Service

On Sunday, November 15 at a time to be announced. We will invite those that have lost a loved one and whose funeral mass was celebrated here at Our Lady of Mercy Church within this past year to come forward and light a candle in their memory.

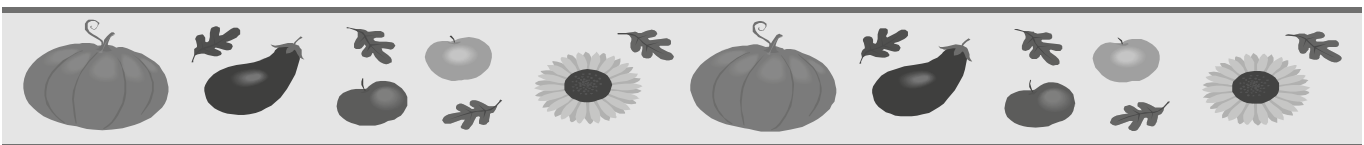
If you would like to remember someone who has gone to their heavenly home this past year and their funeral mass was not celebrated here, please contact Connie at 865-0775 by November 9.

### Thankful?

Consider all that is around you...and search deep within your soul...what are you thankful for? Is it your health, your family, your job, your friends?



In the quiet of your day, for just a moment say a prayer of thanks for all that God has given you.





Father Gagnier feeds an apple to "Missy" the horse last Sunday after 11:00 AM Mass at Holy Name of Jesus.

Charlotte Bruney, Pastoral Administrator of St. Vincent DePaul Church, also known as "The Cowgirl," paid a surprise visit to Holy Name of Jesus Church in order to congratulate them for making their CMA goal in record time.

Charlotte promised her parishioners in Churchville that she would visit Holy Name of Jesus on a horse if her parish was the first to reach CMA goal.

Holy Name of Jesus was the 2nd parish in the Diocese to reach its goal in the 2009 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

**Our Lady of Mercy Parish  
Catholic Ministries Appeal Report Nov. 3  
126 Donors = \$20,854 = 66.78%  
Average gift: \$165.51 GOAL: \$31,226**

**Fifth List of CMA Donors as of**

**November 3**

Paul Bonamie  
Dorothy Brophy  
Vincent & Claire Cordaro  
Dorothy Janczak  
Thomas Kurmis  
Mary Loughborough  
Frank & Jean Marie Montalbano  
M/M Eugene Noga  
Rosemary S. Pettis  
Carlton & Alice Servas  
Clara Solan  
Val and Mary Steele

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