



December 26 & 27

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:

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

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, December 26

5:30 Living & deceased members of OLM & HNOJ

Sunday, December 27

9:00 Concetta M. Berardicurti by Mr. & Mrs. R. Prem

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Monday, December 28

8:00 Poor Souls by Doug & Jean Berry

Tuesday, December 29

8:00 Joseph & Michelina Amato by Mr. & Mrs. A. DeNinnis

Wednesday, December 30

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Thursday, December 31

4:00 PM Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Friday, January 1

9:00 AM Our Lady of Mercy

11:00 AM Holy Name of Jesus

Saturday, January 2

4:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

5:30 Living & deceased members of OLM & HNOJ

Sunday, January 3

9:00 Jim Berry by Doug & Jean Berry

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

This Week At O.L.M.

Sunday, December 27

Breakfast after masses

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation

10:15 AM Rosary

Monday, December 28

7:00 Parish Council

Tuesday, December 29

7:00 PM AA Meeting

Wednesday, December 30

Thursday, December 31

Friday, January 1

Saturday, January 2

Sunday, January 3

Breakfast after mass

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation

10:15 AM Rosary

Financial information unavailable because of holiday print schedule.



First Eucharist Workshop I

If your child has already prepared for First Penance and would like to receive his or her First Eucharist this Spring 2010, please **register now**. The first workshop will take place in the Parish Center at Holy Name of Jesus (15 St. Martin's Way) on January 23, 2010 at 10AM. Parents AND child **must attend** this workshop. If you have not yet registered or if you have any questions, please contact Marie Marton (621-6343x32).



Confirmation 2010

If your youth is interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Spring 2010, please **register now**. The first workshop is scheduled for January 30, 2010. It will take place in the Parish Center at Holy Name of Jesus (15 St. Martin's Way) at 10AM. The **parents must attend** this workshop. The youth need not attend. If you have not yet registered or if you have questions, please contact Marie Marton (621-6343x32) **as soon as possible**.



Dear Parishioners,

Thanks to all who have made our Christmas celebrations memorable. We thank especially Bill Costanzo and our talented Choir for helping us to praise God in song at our Christmas Liturgies.

Thanks to the many volunteers who have helped to decorate the church and those who ministered in Liturgical capacities as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and ushers.

And especially thanks to all who came to both Masses. Masses for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God (December 31 and January 1) are listed in this bulletin.

Because of the early deadline for this bulletin, we do not yet have the results of the Christmas collection or the Debt Reduction Collection. These will be given in next week's bulletin as will the results of the Annual Catholic Ministries Appeal. The "thermometer" in church has the latest CMA percentage.

Happy New Year to you and your families!

Sincerely, *Father Gagnier*

OLM Liturgy Assignments

January 3	5:30PM	9:00AM
Lector	Bill Marchetti	Jean Berry
Ministers of Communion	Katy Marchetti	Gretchen Kozlowski
	Dorothy Janczak	Mike LaFranca
		Mary Loughborough
		Helen Mercier
		Joe Mercier
		Marilyn Napieralski
Song Leaders	Beth	Jennifer
Altar Servers		Cecilia Hoskins
Greeters	Mike Tyrrell	Christine McNally
Sacristans	Kathy Inzana	Carol Ferro
Rosary Leader (after mass)		Helen Mercier
Church Linens	Dorothy Laco	
Breakfast	Set up: Montalbanos	Clean up: Links

25-Week Club Winners #25
 \$25.00 Pete Blind
 \$15.00 Charles Maggio
 \$10.00 Kathleen Staub
 Numbers drawn by Angela Montalbano

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

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All Souls Collection

18 Masses for the following people will be celebrated as Poor Souls masses by Fr. Gagnier while he is away on retreats, vacation or conferences. The Masses that came with gifts of \$10 or multiples of, will be said individually on specified dates throughout the remainder of 2009 and into 2010.

Richard Vatter for Betty Vatter, Angela Montalbano for Linda and Mario Bosio, Salvatore Montalbano, Mario Cipriano, Jean Leyer for Edward Leyer, Harold & Celine Redmond for Deceased members of the Farrell, Redmond, Crough & Gallagher families, Vivian Strauss & John Kirk, Shirley Locke for Robert Locke, Richard & Caroline Burke, William Sr. & Margaret Locke, William Jr. & Jean Locke, Hildegard Mitchell for John Mitchell, John & Dorothy Laco for Deceased members of the Laco & Ruszczyk families, Bernie & Mary Horton for deceased members of our families, Dick Bogal for deceased members of the Bogal, Gadawski & Mosier families, Salvatore & Grace Uttaro for the deceased members of the Uttaro & Bellucci families, Nicholas & Mary Jean Plumeri for Poor Souls, Walter & Marie Luke for Josephine Gaetano Iacubucci, Pat, Joe, Sam & Ross Iacubucci & Palmeri, Richard & Charles Luke, Polly Gugino for Poor Souls, Donna Sciortino for Poor Souls, Michael LaFranca for Poor Souls, Angela Buono for Poor Souls, Paul & Marilyn Napieralski for Poor Souls, Anonymous for Poor Souls.

Live as though He wanted you to live...

Today's readings invite us to live holy lives filled with heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; loving one another and forgiving one another, with gratitude in our hearts to God. May the example of **the Holy Family** be an inspiration and an example to all of our families and let us pray that our own holy families will encourage possible vocations to the priesthood and religious life for our local Church. **Office of Vocation Awareness/ 585-461-2890/ vocations@dor.org/ website: www.dor.org/vocations**

I'll do it 'Someday'

Most people live an eight day week: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and 'Someday'. It's a significant day, that 'Someday'. Many important things get left till 'Someday'. 'Someday' we will thank friends and family. 'Someday' we will spend more time with our children. 'Someday' we will find time to serve God and His church.

The tragedy of it is, 'Someday' isn't part of any week. And because 'Someday' never comes, those important things never get accomplished. The true purpose of our lives should never be a 'Someday' project. Now is the time to make a commitment to Christ's work here on earth. In 2010 ask yourself, what gift of time or money can I give to see that Christ's work is done through me at Our Lady of Mercy?



Christmas Flower Donations

In Memory of: McNulty & Stanton Family

In Memory of by: Martin, Tom & Madison Marron by Ann Marron & Family, Martin Mulhern by Mary Ann, Sherry Breslawski & Beverly Nicols by Marilyn Napieralski, Carmell Culotta & Adeline Iuppa by Michael A. LaFrance, Judy & Joseph Grygrowych by Grygrowych Family, Our Parents by Dorothy & John Laco, Deceased members of the Schneider, Wiegand & Dentinger Families by Ethelyn Schneider, Carm Trovato, Mary & Anthony Christiano by Helen Trovato, Deceased members of the McMahan & Metzger Families by Kathy & Rick Metzger, Dominic & Josephine Scocco, Eugene Mauiri & Adelaide Maggio by Dr. Charles and Molly Maggio, Janczak & Jaskot Families by Dorothy Janczak, David & Joseph Noble by Evelyn Noble, Patrick & Kiki Hoke by Diane Hoke, James & Louise Tyrrell by James Tyrrell Jr., Our Parents by Harold & Celine Redmond, Our Parents by Helen & Joe Mercier, Our families by Bernie & Mary Horton, George & Brian Shults, Sarah & Merton Switzer by David & Judy Switzer and Florence Shults, George Popowich by Angela Popowich, Walter Szozda by wife, Rosemary, Robert Locke by Shirley Locke

And one Anonymous gift

~Thank you for your generosity

**LOCAL MASSES FOR
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD**

Thursday, December 31 New Year's Eve

4:00 P.M. Holy Name of Jesus

5:30 P.M. Holy Cross

5:30 P.M. Saint Charles Borromeo

6:00 P.M. Saint John the Evangelist

Friday, January 1 New Year's Day

8:00 A.M. Holy Cross

8:30 A.M. Saint John the Evangelist

9:00 A.M. Our Lady of Mercy

10:00 A.M. Our Mother of Sorrows

10:00 A.M. Saint Charles Borromeo

10:00 A.M. Holy Cross

10:30 A.M. Saint John the Evangelist

11:00 A.M. Holy Name of Jesus

All envelopes sent to proper churches.

Prayer For Strength and Wisdom

Grant me the strength from day to day
To bear what burdens come my way.
Grant me throughout this bright New Year
More to endure and less to fear.
Help me live that I may be
From spite and petty malice free.
Let me not bitterly complain
When cherished hopes of mine prove vain,
Or spoil with deeds of hate and rage
Some fair tomorrow's spotless page.
Lord, as the days shall come and go
In courage let me stronger grow.
Lord, as the New Year dawns today
Help me to put my faults away.
Let me be big in little things;
Grant me the joy which friendship brings.
Keep me from selfishness and spite;
Let me be wise in what is right.
A Happy New Year! Grant that I
May bring no tear to any eye.
When this New Year in time shall end
Let it be said I've played the friend,
Have lived and loved and labored here,
And made of it a happy year.

~Edgar A. Guest

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