

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 28th
5:00 PM Elizabeth Walters

Sunday March 1st
8:30 AM Heinz & Reilly Families
10:00 AM Parish Mass
12:00 PM Kathleen Ann Elizabeth McBride
6:00 PM Nino Caliendo

Monday March 2nd
7:00 AM Veronica Mauro (1st Anniversary)
8:30 AM Veronica Mauro (1st Anniversary)
12:00 PM Lydia Laya

Tuesday March 3rd
7:00 AM
8:30 AM Domenico LoRusso & DeBellis Family
12:00 PM Michael & Frances Albano

Wednesday March 4th
7:00 AM
8:30 AM Margherita Balcastro
12:00 PM Giovanna Magagna

Thursday March 5th
7:00 AM
8:30 AM
12:00 PM Mary Buccino

Friday March 6th
7:00 AM Vicki & Lew Kohlwey
8:30 AM
12:00 PM Paul & Mena Ronan

Saturday March 7th
8:30 AM
5:00 PM Marie & Tony Harte (Living Intention)

Sunday March 8th
8:30 AM John H. Moreton
10:00 AM Parish Mass
12:00 PM Rose & Ralph Illuminato
6:00 PM Maria Garrido

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

James Schnepf, Paul Matthew Larsen, Rosemarie Regalario, DW, Sally Flaig, Joseph Radison, Julian Rys, Janis Wallenstein, Marian Burgel, Madeline Guido, Jack & Madison Lewinger, Josephine Kelly, John (Jack) Sullivan, David Glass, Maureen Crowley, Teodora Tamburelo, Bob Lancer, Mary Hanley, Thomas Kelly, The Mestrich Family, Barbara Silver, Theresa Polancic, Howard Diamond, Robert Erickson, Nicholas Gagliano, Msgr. Langelier, Gertrude Klienklau

Please pray for those in our armed services, especially:

Edy Claudio & Robert Claudio
Stephen Deere
Captain Eileen Gillespie U.S. Army
Sgt. Bryan Jiencke, USMC
S/Sgt. Teague A. Liming, USAF
Staff Sgt. James McKeon, US Army
Pvt. Jonathan Mezzancello
SPC Larry Saume
Lt. Brendan T. Cremins, US Navy

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

Marta Szurlej
Dorothy Muller
Michael Orlando
Maria Manuzza

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**SUNDAY – MARCH 1**

-First Sunday of Lent
-Second Collection – Catholic Missions Among Black & Indian People
-Children's Liturgy of the Word – 10:00 AM Mass
-RCIA Rite of Sending – 12:00 PM Mass

MONDAY – MARCH 2

-Lenten Weekday
-RCIA – 7:30 PM – Convent
-Scripture Study Group – 7:30 PM – Rectory Meeting Room

TUESDAY – MARCH 3

-Lenten Weekday / Optional Memorial of St. Katharine Drexel
-Prayer Group – 9:00 AM – Rectory Meeting Room
-Cub Scouts – 7:00 PM – Lower Church Hall

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 4

-Lenten Weekday / Optional Memorial of St. Casimir
-Golden Age Club Meeting – 12:00 PM – Lower Church Hall
-CCD – 2:15 PM – Church
-Divine Mercy Prayer Group – 7:30 PM – Church

THURSDAY – MARCH 5

-Lenten Weekday

FRIDAY – MARCH 6

-Lenten Weekday

SATURDAY – MARCH 7

-Lenten Weekday / Optional Memorial of Sts. Perpetua & Felicity
-First Penance Service – 11:00 AM – Church
-Confessions – 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM – Church

50-50 RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the
February Winners of the 50-50 Raffle:

- 1st Prize: Regina Schuyler \$679.17
- 2nd Prize: Charles & Dolores Crawbuck \$407.50
- 3rd Prize: Donald & Carol Preus \$271.66

SOUP SUPPER

Our Lenten “Soup Supper” will be held Monday, March 16th at 6:30 PM in the Church Hall. Together we share a simple meal, express our care for our needier brothers and sisters and listen to the Lord’s desire:

**“Whatsoever you do to the least amongst us,
that you do unto me”.**

Sr. Tessa Fitzgerald, CSJ will give a wonderful presentation about her ministry to formerly incarcerated mothers and their children at “Hour Children”. Through our simple sharing of prayer, fasting and almsgiving we can make Soup Supper 2009 a living witness to our care for a larger world. When we increase love, we increase peace. All are welcome to join us. Please return the response form to the Rectory by Noon on March 12th .

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Each year we provide an opportunity for adults who, for whatever reason, were never Confirmed. Any adult who is interested in being prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is urged to contact Sr. Ann Barbara at 718-261-6285. Classes will be held in the Convent and conclude with the reception of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2009. If you or someone you know can benefit from this opportunity, please contact Sister as soon as possible.

**SECOND GRADE
PENANCE SERVICE**

All 2nd Graders who will receive First Eucharist in May will attend a First Reconciliation Prayer Service on Saturday, March 7, 2009 at 10:00 AM in the Church. This service will include the reception of the Sacrament of First Reconciliation.



Dear Parishioners.

As most of you know, I had hip replacement surgery February 9, at North Shore University Hospital. After four days in the hospital, I was transferred to North Shore Rehabilitation Extended Care Facility in Manhasset. It has been a regimen of physical therapy two times each day for a period of "several weeks". After this, I hope to return to the Rectory where therapy will continue, followed by visits to an outside physical therapy facility.

In the meantime, I am so grateful for the many cards, greetings, visits and prayers that so many of you are extending to me. A sincere thank you to all. Hopefully, I will be back in action, perhaps with a cane, in not too long a period of time.

Msgr. Gerald J. Cangelier

School News**Monday, March 2nd**

-Registration for *NEW* students for 2009-2010 is taking place this week. Please call the school office 718 793-2086 for information.

Tuesday, March 3-5

-Gr. 4 NY State Math Test.

OLM DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE

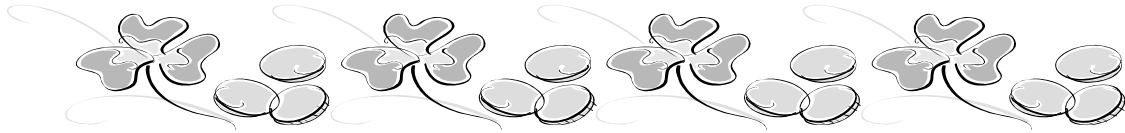
DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
03-04	7:00 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
	7:30 PM	Healing Mass Fr. Chris Okorie
03-11	6:30 PM	Bible Study(P. Hall)
		Fr. Jose Cadusale
	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet(P. Hall)
		Fellowship (Parish Hall)
03-19	7:30 PM	DM Chaplet/Cenacle (P. Hall)
		Fellowship follows (P. Hall)
03-25	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
		Praise and Worship
		Fellowship follows (P. Hall)
04-01	7:00 PM	Adoration/Holy Hour
		Fr. Alfred Guthrie, DM Chaplet
	8:30 PM	Benediction Fr. Alfred Guthrie
04-08	6:30 PM	Bible Study (P. Hall)
		Fr. Cadusale
	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet (P.Hall)
		Fellowship follows (P. Hall)
04-15	7:30 PM	DM Chaplet/Cenacle (P.Hall)
		Fellowship follows (P. Hall)
04-22	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
04-29	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet

BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE

MANY THANKS from the New York Blood Center to all who responded to the request for much needed blood donations. Last Sunday's Blood Drive here at Our Lady of Mercy was a BIG SUCCESS! We are happy to report that 44 units of blood were collected.

Very special thanks go to Joan Minischetti who was instrumental in running the donation process so smoothly throughout the day.





OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH

Join us for some good old Irish
Fun and Entertainment
at the

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER DANCE

Date: Saturday, March 14th, 2009

Time: 8:00pm – Midnight

Where: Parish Hall

Dinner, Dancing, Raffles and a little Irish Entertainment
Beer & Wine will be Served

Cost: \$40 per person
(Please feel free to BYOB for additional beverages)

Please contact Breda or Sinéad for reservations, fill out the form below
and mail or drop off with your check before March 8th, 2009:

OLM Rectory, 70-01 Kessel Street, Forest Hills, NY 11375

Breda Buckley (718 607 2182) or Sinead Whelan (718 275 4894)

Please make checks payable to: **Our Lady of Mercy**

Name: _____

Of Guests: _____

Seating Preference: _____

Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Total Payment: \$ _____