

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 11th</b>
8:00 PM	Solemn Easter Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 12th</b>
8:30 AM	EASTER SUNDAY
10:00 AM	No Mass Intentions
12:00 PM	No 6:00 PM Mass
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 13th</b>
7:00 AM	Alexander A.Reyes-7th.Anniversary
8:30 AM	Domenica Liuzzi
12:00 PM	Ascuncion Ilagan Esquivel
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 14th</b>
7:00 AM	Laura Angeles
8:30 AM	Bolivar Almeida
12:00 PM	Dumitru Ardelean (15th Anniversary)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 15th</b>
7:00 AM	Helen Speros
8:30 AM	Anna C. Lass
12:00 PM	Peter Perrucci
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 16th</b>
7:00 AM	Edna Martin
8:30 PM	Bill Walters
12:00 PM	Concetta Cannella
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 17th</b>
7:00 AM	Agnes C. Simon
8:30 AM	George Spohr, Sr.
12:00 PM	Elish Teehan
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 18th</b>
8:30 AM	William J. Kirby & Leonard V. Quigley
5:00 PM	Angelo Zambrato
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 19th</b>
8:30 AM	Isabella Minischetti
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Charles Yander
6:00 PM	Andrzej Witkowski

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

James Schnepf, Janis Wallenstein, Jack & Madison Lewinger, Josephine Kelly, John (Jack) Sullivan, David Glass, Maureen Crowley, Teodora Tamburelo, Bob Lancer, Thomas Kelly, The Mestrich Family, Barbara Silver, Theresa Polancic, Howard Diamond, Nicholas Gagliano, Jane Sanders, Ana Stafford, Kaitlin & Amanda Birck, Thomas J. Scaturro, John Kelly, Barbara German, James Murphy, Francesca Cala, Toni Cunningham, Terry Luczak, Maria Panny, Ernest Merlino

Please pray for those in our armed services, especially:  
 Edy Claudio & Robert Claudio, Stephen Deere  
 Captain Eileen Gillespie U.S. Army, SPC Larry Saume  
 Lt. Julianne LoMacchio Palumbo U.S. Navy  
 Sgt. Bryan Jiencke, USMC  
 S/Sgt. Teague A. Liming, USAF  
 Staff Sgt. James McKeon, US Army  
 Pvt. Jonathan Mezzancello  
 Lt. Gregory M. Morison, U.S. Navy  
 SFC Kilsip Ciprian, US Army  
 1174th DDSB & 873rd TC DET  
 Lt. Brendan T. Cremins, US Navy

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

Anna Massie  
 Michael Salemi, Jr.  
 Mickey Salem  
 Domenic Giammaria  
 Jack Karsten

**BREAD AND WINE**

Many thanks for this week's donation for the Bread & Wine given Lovingly by

Mary Ann & James Schnepf

**PASCHAL CANDLE**

The Paschal Candle burns in memory of:

Frank & Helen Dubiel

&

James & Helen Freeley

Donated by: Dubiel & Freeley Families

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH****SUNDAY - APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>**

-*EASTER SUNDAY* - the Resurrection of the LORD JESUS from the Dead !

-The second collection today is for the Diocesan Fund in behalf of the retired priests of the Diocese.

**MONDAY - APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup>**

-Monday of Easter Week - OLM School closed this week.  
 -"Divine Mercy" meetings through the week- Parish Hall - 7:30 PM.

-No Scripture study/prayer group this evening.

**TUESDAY - APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>**

-No "Holy Spirit" prayer group today.

-No Cub Scout meeting this evening.

**WEDNESDAY - APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>**

-OLM Golden Age Club meeting - Parish Hall at noon.

-No CCD Religious Ed classes today.

-"Divine Mercy" again this evening beginning at 7:30 PM in the church.

**THURSDAY - APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup> -**

-Baptism meeting for parents of the April 18<sup>th</sup> Baptisms.

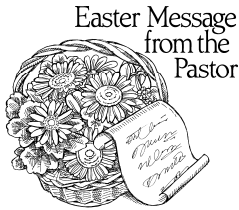
**FRIDAY - APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>**

-Masses - Friday of Easter Week.

**SATURDAY - APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>**

-April Baptisms - 1:00 PM.

-Confessions - 4:00 to 4:45 PM.



*Dear Parishioners:*

Today is the great Day of Days. Jesus the Christ is risen! Two days ago darkness seemed to be the victor but now it is dispelled in the light of the Resurrection. The American Catholic author and priest, Rev. Andrew Greeley, has referred to Easter as God's Great Affirmation. The Great Affirmation is the bottom line of faith. Young or old, conservative or liberal, man or woman, educated or not, rich or poor, we all gather this day to rejoice that God has a loving plan. Nothing even the cruel death of the Man must intimate with Him can prevent the final realization of our Father's plan. The Cross and Passion are very real and in various ways we relate to them. Nonetheless, our celebration today proclaims that the Cross does not have the final word: God Who mysteriously gives life to each of us, intends life to be restored in a new and glorious way.

St. Paul writes that the "eye has not seen, nor the ear heard, nor the heart of man felt what God has prepared for those who love Him". Jesus was intimately involved in the love of the Father and Jesus lives. We are identified with the Lord Jesus at Baptism and we are bound to Him. To be His follower means to do our best to confound the powers of darkness. Jesus leads us in a battle that may scar us with its crosses. But through them we follow the Lord into the Light of the Resurrection. At this time of the year nature itself proclaims the rebirth of life. In Jesus and in us, that rebirth lies beyond our capacity to describe or grasp it fully. Yet the powerful experience of the Risen Lord impelled His formerly fearful disciples to preach the Gospel and to launch a movement that still offers hope and consolation to a battered world because "Jesus the Christ, the Lord, is risen today Alleluia!"

In the spirit of Easter joy, Monsignor Langelier, Father Cremins, Father Chris, Deacon Ed, Father Iantosca, the chaplain of Creedmore State Hospital who resides with us, our Sisters and our entire staff join me in wishing all of our parishioners, their friends and families, a glorious and happy Easter.

*Monsignor McGutrl*

## SCHOOL NEWS

**Monday, April 20th**

-Classes resume.

**Wednesday, April 22th**

Spirit Night Gr. 7.

**Thursday, April 23th**

Spring pictures.

**Friday, April 24th**

Race for Education.



Next Teen Mass will be on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at  
6:00 p.m.

Teen Club will follow from 7 to 9.

All Teens Grades 8 and up are welcome to  
Teen Club!

**"Voices for Hope"**, a benefit in memory of Joan Pavelin McTeer, sister of Lou Ann Pavelin, choir member and cantor, will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2009. The concert will feature award-winning Broadway and cabaret performers, including Carolyn Montgomery, Julie Reyburn and Mark Nadler. The concert will be held at Theatre of St. Clement's Church, 423 W. 46th St. at 2:00pm. Tickets-\$25.00 (\$20.00-seniors/students) and \$50.00-premium seats. For reservations, please call (718)263-1830 or send request to [voicesforhope@aol.com](mailto:voicesforhope@aol.com). All proceeds will benefit the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network.

## OLM BOOK CLUB SELECTION



As previously announced, we are starting an OLM Book Club to enable parishioners interested in reading and discussing a book from the point of our Catholic spirituality an opportunity to do so. Our first choice is "The Shack" by William Young. The book can be purchased on-line or locally in one of our fine book stores.

In the rear of the Church you will find two forms, one if you are interested in reading the book and coming to a discussion and a second if you are interested in helping lead a small table discussion on the day we meet. Please fill out either or both forms and place them in the box provided.

We have changed the date of our discussion to Monday, April 27th at 7:30 P.M. in the Convent Meeting Room. Please note the change and help make this a successful launching for our parish.

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer to help in this effort please see or call Sr. Ann Barbara at 718-261-6285. Thank you.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes will not be held during Easter Week. They will resume the week of April 19th.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will not be held on April 19th. Our program will resume on April 26th .

## SPIRIT NIGHT

All students preparing for Confirmation in the Fall are reminded of an important prayer and sharing activity – "**Spirit Night**" – for candidates and their parents. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 22nd at 7:30 P.M. in the Church Hall.

## Save The Date

Calling all Boys and Girls! Our 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Ice Cream Sundae will be on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009 from 1:30 to 3:30 P.M. in the Church Hall. There are flyers at the doors of the Church with all the details but you must register before April 25<sup>th</sup>. We hope as many boys and girls as possible will come. We thank the Ladies of the Ad Hoc Committee for again taking leadership in this parish event. Also a word of thank to the same Committee and to Mrs. Mary vanNostrand for arranging our Lenten "Journey, Cross & Crucifixion"

## Divine Mercy Novena

The Divine Mercy Novena will be in the Church at 7:30 P.M. every weekend night of Easter Week. The Novena is culminated with the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday (The second Sunday of Eater), April 19th. On that Sunday, the chaplet prayers will conclude in Church after the 12:00 P.M. Mass.

## OLM DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
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
05-06-	7:00PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
	7:30PM	Healing Mass
05-13	6:30PM	Bible Study
	7:30PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
05-20	7:30PM	DM Chaplet/Cenacle Fellowship follows (P. Hall)
05-27-	7:30PM	DM Devotion/Praise and Worship
06-03	7:30PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
06-10	6:30PM	Bible Study
	7:30PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
06-17	7:30PM	DM Devotion/Cenacle Fellowship follows (P. Hall)
06-24	7:30PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet

## THE MEMORIAL WORSHIP FUND OF OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH Forest Hills, New York

*MANY THANKS* for donations to the Parish Memorial  
Worship fund given...in heaven's splendid light to

William (Bill) Walters  
by  
Cathy (Blaney), Mike, Hope & Nicholas Petralia

## FLOWER MEMORIALS

### In Loving Memory Of

Kay Butler  
 Howell Jones  
 George Shookster  
 Maria, John, Lillie, Renee & Leo  
 Henry Jagiello  
 Zahide Prono  
 The Deceased Members of the  
 Gorman & Markey Families  
 Helena Pawlak  
 Adelina Agostinelli  
 David & Mary Morison  
 Robert & Catherine Frank  
 The Hunt & Stewart Families  
 Bob Malm  
  
 Carolyn Ryan &  
 The Ryan & Hornick Families  
 Joseph & Mildred Aiello  
 James W. Colgan &  
 Zita M. Zierau  
 Doris McKeon

### Requested By

Susan Butler  
 Sarah & Lester  
 Marie & Linda Shookster  
 Elizabeth & Arthur Lobel  
 Love, Marilyn & Children  
 Love, The Prono Family  
  
 Carol & Pat Gorman  
 Ilona & John Killian  
 Angela & Barney Martin  
  
 Frank & Ann Morison  
 Barbara Hunt & Terence Stewart  
 The Malm Family  
  
 Robert Ryan  
 Judy Lugo  
  
 Marybeth Colgan  
 Judy Lugo & Rafael Valerio

### WELCOME NEW CATHOLICS

At our beautiful Easter Vigil, after a year of preparation, four adults received their Sacraments on Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. God continues to bless us with new life!

They are Angela Chu, Olivia Huie, Liana Huie and Gwendolyn Nieves. William Puglisi received Confirmation and Eucharist. We welcome them into our parish community and pray that the spirit of faith that brought them to desire Christ may burn in their hearts always. Special thanks to Lucy Prieto and Kathy Nocera for helping with RCIA this year.

Any adult interested in learning about or joining the Catholic faith is urged to contact one of our Priests or Sr. Ann Barbara at 718-261-6285.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to all who arranged and participated in our Parish Soup Supper. We greatly appreciate your generosity to HOUR CHILDREN. \$2,000.00 was collected for this wonderful charity.

### HUMAN SERVICES

Thanks to your continued generosity, 25 local families were given hams and Easter food. Please, if possible, remember to donate to the Poor Box during this time of financial stress.