

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	June 27th
5:00 PM	Angela & Frank Sauro, Sr.
Sunday	June 28th
8:30 AM	Fathers Day Novena
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Howell Leslie Jones
6:00 PM	Hickey Family
Monday	June 29th
7:00 AM	Pieter Martini
8:30 AM	Fathers Day Novena
12:00 PM	Pieter Martini
Tuesday	June 30th
7:00 AM	John Kelly
8:30 AM	Fathers Day Novena
12:00 PM	Eugenia Ardeleanu (14th Anniversary)
Wednesday	July 1st
7:00 AM	Ethel Rohr (irthday Remembrance)
8:30 AM	Heinz & Reilly Families
12:00 PM	Marie Merone (1st Anniversary)
Thursday	July 2nd
7:00 AM	Maria Yonda
8:30 AM	James Sweeney, Jr. (5th Anniversary)
12:00 PM	Jack Karsten
Friday	July 3rd
7:00 AM	Otilia Sidlo
8:30 AM	Rita Cleary (4th Anniversary)
12:00 PM	Mary & Idolo Russomanno
Saturday	July 4th
8:30 AM	The Smolinski Family
5:00 PM	John Vecchione, Jr.
Sunday	July 5th
8:30 AM	Julia Palumbo
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Jean Berger
6:00 PM	Walter Perugini

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

James Schnepf, Ana Stafford, Jane Sanders, Kaitlin & Amanda Birck, John Kelly, Barbara German Francesca Cala, Toni Cunningham, Maria Panny, Maureen Crowley, David Glass, Jack Sullivan, Ann Sullivan, Peter French, Adam Sobel, Ann Kelly, Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio

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
 Pvt. Jonathan Mezzancello, SPC Larry Saume
 Lt. Julianne LoMacchio Palumbo U.S. Navy
 Lt. Gregory M. Morison, U.S. Navy
 SFC Kilsa Ciprian, US Army
 The 1174th DDSB & 873rd TC DET
 Captain Patrick L. Davis, U.S. Army (JAG)
 Patrick Hedderman, Lt. Brendan T. Cremins, USNavy
 Pvt. Ronald Palumbo

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH****SUNDAY – JUNE 28th**

-Thirteenth Sunday in ORDINARY liturgical time.
 -“Stanners” from Archbishop Molloy H.S. are in the front of the church to receive funds for their upcoming trip to Lourdes.
 -OLM “TEEN CLUB” Bar-B-Que – Juno Street lawn – 3:00 to 6:00 PM.
 -The second collection today is the annual “*PETER’S PENCE*” collection – providing the Holy Father funds to respond financially to some of the many worldwide needs of people in poverty and human distress.

MONDAY – JUNE 29th

-Solemn Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles.

TUESDAY – JUNE 30th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
 -Children’s “*MORNING MATTINEE*” – Parish Hall at 9:00 AM. (See notice below).

WEDNESDAY – JULY 1st

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
 -“Conversations About Prayer” – Convent meeting room at 9:00 AM. (See notice below).
 -OLM Golden Age Club meeting – Parish Hall at noon.
 -“Divine Mercy” prayer group – church – 8:00 PM.

THURSDAY – JULY 2nd

-Ordinary liturgical time Masses.
 -“Conversations About Prayer” – Convent meeting room – 9:00 AM (see notice below).

– JULY 3rd

-Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle.

SATURDAY – JULY 4th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday (morning) Mass.
 -“Independence Day” – USA holiday.
 -Confessions – 4:00 to 4:45.
 -Saturday evening Vigil Mass (for Sunday) at 5:00 PM.

**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

Eleanor Shavel & George & Elizabeth Schaber
 by
 Howard Shavel

James A. Gorman - 10th Anniversary
 From
 Carol & Patrick Gorman



Dear Parishioners:

This week I would like to thank a number of people for their efforts on behalf of our parish. Last weekend we had our First Annual Traditional Backyard Barbeque at the Community House on Borage Place in Forest Hills Gardens. Though the weather did not cooperate, the 75 parishioners who attended had a wonderful time. Everything but the weather was perfect.

None of this would have been possible without the hard work of Mr. & Mrs. Gerry Whelan (Gerry and Sinead) and Mr. & Mrs. Bernard J. Duffy (B.J. and Cathy). The Whelans and the Duffys not only planned the evening but they did much of the shopping, cooking, serving and other work that makes a parish event successful. We also must thank the staff of the Community House and also Messrs. James Dukas, James Botwina and Robert Rossi, Jr. for their assistance.

The following corporations made substantial contributions to the Barbeque: Benny Esposito Landscaping; Fox Funeral Home; An Anonymous Supporter; Metro Pharmacy; TD Bank (courtesy of Mrs. Susan Finley); Glascott Funeral Home; Maspeth Federal Savings Bank; and Forest Hills Dry Cleaners. In return for their support, we do ask that you consider patronizing these firms.

In the latest Summary Report from the Annual Catholic Appeal (6/23/09), one hundred and ninety-five of our Parishioners (16.37% of all registered parishioners) have pledged \$98,700.00 against our Diocesan mandated goal of \$71,021. We have pledged 138.97% of the goal!!! Of those pledges, already \$89,350.00 has been paid. We have assisted not only the vital programs of our Diocese but those of our own parish as well. We anticipate that a sizable amount over the Goal will be returned to Our Lady of Mercy Parish. My thanks go to all those wonderful and generous people who contributed to the Annual Appeal.

Two of the goals of the Annual Campaign are to assist the Vocation Office in the recruitment of potential new priests and the education of those men in the Seminary program. This Saturday, June 27th, 2009, three men were ordained for our Diocese. One of the new priests, Father Daniel Champoli, is a nephew of our parish secretary, Mrs. Fran Lubanski. Father Champoli is a native of Resurrection/Ascension Parish and he was a student at the Pontifical North American College in Rome. Father will return there for an additional year of study before assignment in our Diocese. Congratulations Father Dan and the entire Lubanski, Champoli and Fasano families.

During the month of July, we will have summer assistance from Father Peter Purpura. At twenty-eight years of age, Father is one of the youngest priests of our Diocese. He also studied in Rome where he is presently concluding his post-graduate courses. Father Peter, a native of Breezy Point, was ordained in June 2008. Welcome to Forest Hills, Father Peter!

Nice to have good news for a change, isn't it? As the summer begins, hopefully all of our parishioners will have some time, whether traveling or at home, to refresh their minds and spirits by enjoying the magnificence of God's creation.

In Christ.

Monignor McGutrl

Please Help the Mercy Mirror to Continue!



Mercy Mirror Status Reminder

As you may have read in this month's *Mirror*, the future of the *Mirror* remains uncertain without your help! There must be one or two people reading this who can give the parish a few hours per month to keep the *Mirror* alive and well. *Please step up!* The criteria required to respond, once again, include basic writing skills, access to a computer, a level of comfort in manipulating Microsoft Word files and picture files, and of course enthusiasm and dedication! We can be reached at Mercy_Mirror@yahoo.com or stop by the Rectory. We need to hear from you as soon as possible!



Community News

Wills Seminar

Our neighbors at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs (Ascan Avenue and Queens Boulevard) are hosting a wills seminar on Saturday, July 18th 2009 at 10:00 AM in the Rectory Basement. Admission is free. Mr. Larry Murphy, Esq. of Mahon, Mahon, Kerins & O'Brien will discuss the importance of having a will, problems with joint bank accounts, revocable trusts, health proxies and other related matters. The entire cluster is invited and the seminar should be very informative for all, especially if you have avoided taking care of this very important item.

Sub-Teens

For forty years, Cathedral Preparatory High School at 56-25 92nd Street, Elmhurst has conducted the Father Edward Troike Leadership Program for sixth and seventh grade boys. The program has both an athletic and academic component. The program runs from Monday, July 6th through Friday, July 31st. Pre-registration is necessary and forms can be obtained at the rectory or by calling Father John Cush at Cathedral Prep. - 718-592-6800 x 120.

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Thank you for your beautiful response to our weekly Flower Memorials for the Church. Almost every weekend after June 27th & 28th thru the summer is available. If you have a loved one you wish remembered please contact the Rectory at 718-268-6143. The cost of this donation is \$100.00 for two arrangements for our altar. The name of your loved one will appear in a notice in the weekly bulletin.

50-50 RAFFLE WINNERS

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

- 1st Prize: Peter Kiff \$676.17**
- 2nd Prize: George & Tracey O'Malley \$407.50**
- 3rd Prize: Mary Visconti \$271.66**

The Our Lady of Mercy Teen Club Barbeque will be this Sunday, June 28th from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. on the Juno Street Lawn. If you worked the recent care wash, then admission is free; otherwise it is five (\$5.00) for all you can eat! Come, hang out with your friends. Some "older" folk are needed as volunteers – make yourself known to the organizers.

The final pre-summer Teen Club Mass will be this Sunday, June 28th at 6:00 P.M. Please join us. We are looking for high school or college age folks who can play an instrument or sing at the Teen Mass beginning in September. If interested contact Sandra at 917-744-0239.

The Cluster (Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Our Lady of Mercy and Our Lady of the Angelus) Teen "Splish-Splash Trip will be this Tuesday, June 30th. Details are on the flyers at the rear of the Church. Space is limited so it is "first come, first served". Cost is \$26.00 per person. All Teens currently in seventh grade and up are welcome!!! RSVP - ASAP by filling out both sides of the flyer and returning it by tomorrow morning to the rectory in an envelope marked Teen Splish-Splash Trip.

Summer Opportunity for Kids!

As you may have heard, we will not be having our traditional VBS program this summer. Instead, we invite your children to consider joining us for "Tuesday Morning Matinees" this summer.

On Tuesdays, June 30, July 7, July 14 and July 21, we will be hosting a Movie Morning to explore some of the great themes of the Bible through a specific bible story, group teaching, discussion and a major feature film. We will begin each morning in the Church Hall at 9:00 AM and end at Noon.

Each morning will end with an energetic round of Movie Bingo! Snack and drink will be provided. Sign-in will take place at the door each Tuesday at 8:45 AM and the cost will be \$10.00 for each event.

If you want to reserve a seat, registration sheets will be available next week in the church and school so that sign ups can begin. Watch for future announcements and plan to join us for a fun summer experience!

OLM DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
07-01	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet
	8:00 PM	Praise and Worship (Church)
07-08	7:30 PM	Cenacle (Parish Hall)
07-15	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet Bible Reflection (Parish Hall)
07-22	7:30 PM	Cenacle (Parish Hall)
07-29	7:30 PM	DM Devotion/Chaplet Fellowship (Parish Hall) All are welcome

Meaningful Conversations about Prayer

Join us for an adult conversation about Prayer:

Session 1: How and why we pray

July 1 at 7:30pm or July 2 at 9:00am

Session 2: Praying with our own words

July 8 at 7:30pm or July 9 at 9:00am

Session 3: Praying with Scripture

July 15 at 7:30pm or July 16 at 9:00am

Session 4: Praying with the Church's Words

July 22 at 7:30pm or July 23 at 9:00am

Facilitator: Sr. Ann Barbara

Name _____ Phone _____

I want to join on: _____ Email _____

Wed. evenings _____ Thurs. Mornings _____

Return to Rectory by June 30th, 2009. Thank You.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

A note of thanks goes to all who participated by generously giving their time to our children at the 10:00 Mass each week this past year. Children who go downstairs get to hear the Gospel in a simple, clear way. Our adult volunteers explain the main message of Jesus to the children and how they can live it at home and school.

We have about 16 volunteers, which means we can rotate them four at a time so that each one helps every third week. Single adults, as well as parents are welcome.

I would like to give a special thanks to Mike Mangino who has done this for 23 years and is now moving on to other involvements. What dedication to our children!

If you would like to help children in this way, please volunteer. Materials are sent to you ahead of time, as is the schedule. We begin again in September.

Name _____ Address: _____

E-mail _____

Phone# _____ Cell# _____

I would like to work with: (circle)

PreK-K 1st - 2nd grade 3rd, 4th, 5th grade

Return form to Rectory and you will be contacted soon.