

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 9th
5:00 PM	Maryann, John & Yolanda Camporese
Sunday	January 10th
8:30 AM	Rosalia Houtchens
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Maria Pinzon
6:00 PM	George Shookster
Monday	January 11th
7:00 AM	Angelina Pinzone
8:30 AM	Joseph DiCapua and Benny & Raffaele Bifalco
12:00 PM	McCourt and White Families
Tuesday	January 12th
7:00 AM	Steven Flaucher
8:30 AM	Claire Scott
12:00 PM	Frank Morison (Living Intention)
Wednesday	January 13th
7:00 AM	Aleda Tripoli
8:30 AM	Anita Caravaggi
12:00 PM	Vincenzo Gioieni
Thursday	January 14th
7:00 AM	Anna Venditto
8:30 AM	Mary Foertsch
12:00 PM	
Friday	January 15th
7:00 AM	Oskar Bedacht
8:30 AM	Pauline Marie Feddern
12:00 PM	
Saturday	January 16th
8:30 AM	Judith Diaz
5:00 PM	Helen Speros
Sunday	January 17th
8:30 AM	John Iovino
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Rosalia Houtchens
6:00 PM	Isabella Allegro

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

James Schnepf, Ann Sullivan, Adam Sobel, Ann Kelly, John Vecchione, Rev. James Moran, Anthony Bair, Dr. Otto von Habsburg, Dan Mussio, Maria Let, Thomas O’Niall, Ceil Koluch, Marian Herman, Cindy Schneider, Laurence Vono, Martin Keane, Jean Buff Norton, Mary Panny, Mary Aloisi, Dr. Anthony Bennardo, Maria Vega, Barbara Pannullo, Anna Krawczyk, Remington Stafford, Maureen Albert, Philip Califano, Grace Zerbo, Rev. Charles Whelan, S.J., Charles Sullivan, Concetta & Vittorio Alesi, Michael Minischetti, Mary O’Driscoll

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**SUNDAY – JANUARY 10th**

-Feast of the BAPTISM OF THE LORD.
-Welcome Mass for all the children baptized at Our Lady of Mercy during 2009 – 12 Noon.
-Reception in the Parish Hall following the Mass – all are welcome.

MONDAY – JANUARY 11th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
-OLM School registration begins today.
-RCIA – Convent at 7:30 PM
-Scripture Study Group–Rectory Meeting Room at 7:30 PM

TUESDAY – JANUARY 12th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
: Prayer Group – Rectory Meeting Room at 9:00 AM
-Cub Scouts – Parish Hall at 7:00 PM.
-Parish Planning Council meeting–Rectory at 7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 13th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
Prayer Group – Rectory Meeting Room at 9:00 AM
-CCD Religious Instructions – assemble in the church at 2:15PM
-Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting – Church at 7:30 PM

THURSDAY – JANUARY 14th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
-Helping Hands Meeting – Rectory Meeting Room at 10:00 AM
-CCD Confirmation class – Rectory Meeting Room at 4:00 PM.
-Baptism meeting for parents of children to be baptized on Saturday – Rectory at 7:30 PM.

FRIDAY – JANUARY 15th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday Masses.
-Brownie Girl Scouts – Lower Church Hall at 2:30 PM

SATURDAY – JANUARY 16th

-Ordinary liturgical time Mass at 8:30 AM.
-Baptisms – at 1:00 PM.
-Confessions – 4:00 to 4:45 PM.

ARMED SERVICES

Edy Claudio & Robert Claudio, Stephen Deere
Captain Eileen Gillespie U.S. Army, Sgt. Bryan Jiencke, USMC, Pvt. Ronald Palumbo
S/Sgt. Teague A. Liming, USAF, Pvt. Jonathan Mezzancello, 1st Lt. Paul Lentz, USAF
Lt. Julianne LoMacchio Palumbo U.S. Navy
Lt. Gregory M. Morison, U.S. Navy SFC Kilsip Ciprian, US Army, SPC Larry Saume
The 1174th DDSB & 873rd TC DET
Captain Patrick L. Davis, U.S. Army (JAG)
Patrick Hedderman, Lt. Brendan T. Cremins, US Navy
Timothy M. Gorman, Chief Hospital Corpsman, US Navy



Dear Parishioners:

As we begin our new year of faith, 2010, I do wish to share some heartening news with you. Our parishioners have been very generous during the Christmas/New Year's Season, despite inclement weather that we experienced during the holy days.

On December 13th, 2009, the Christmas Gift to the Church Collection was taken.

The regular in-Church collection	= \$10,830.00
Parish Pay	= \$ 2,081.18
Out of Sequence Envelopes	= \$ 305.00
Total	= \$13,216.18

Christmas Envelopes for the Masses on Christmas Eve. December 24th and Christmas Day, December 25th

Envelopes	= \$14,087.25
Parish Pay	= \$ 867.00
Total	= \$14,954.25

A total of \$28,170.43 was raised for our parish on these two Sundays

In addition, the second collection on Christmas Eve. and Day was for the programs of Diocesan Catholic Charities and our parishioners contributed \$4,426.00

A special word of thanks goes to Fox Funeral Home for a gift of \$1,000.00. A parish family also made a gift of \$5,000.00 and a parishioner of St. Joan of Arc Parish in Jackson Heights also made a gift to Our Lady of Mercy Parish of \$5,000.00. This total of \$11,000 will be put into our renovation account in one of our local banks. It will do much to raise these local reserves that are often utilized in the case of emergencies.

Just recently both the rectory furnace and flues needed to be cleaned thoroughly and leaks were repaired in the school boiler. Unfortunately another leak has appeared in the roof near the St Joseph's shrine in the Church. A factor of this leak may be the high winds that we have experienced recently; nonetheless, should the leak recur in less severe weather then it must be repaired. These types of repairs are unanticipated and lie outside the usual parish expenses. For this reason it is important to have healthy financial reserves.

I wish to thank you for your great generosity and again wish you and your families a blessed and happy New Year.

Monsignor McGuire

OLM Book Club

The next selection for our Book Club is *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery. Our next meeting is on January 14th at 7:30pm in the School Library (Convent). This gathering is open to adults of all ages; all you need do is read the book and come for a stimulating conversation. You can find this at any local bookstore, or purchase it on-line from Amazon or Barnes and Noble. Thank You.



The Beginning Experience

If you are suffering the heartache of divorce, widowhood or separation, think of weekend away for a lifetime of change. The next weekend is February 19th through the 21st, 2010. For information and reservations, please call John at (516) 822-0635 or Karen at (201) 865-6784 or Jim at (718) 474-3779

Parish 50-50 Raffle

The Parish 50-50 Raffle Program for 2010 is about to begin. Don't miss out on the chance to win one of the 3 attractive monthly prizes and also help the parish meet its ongoing expenses. Half-year memberships (Jan – June) are \$50.00 and full year memberships (Jan – Dec) are \$100.00. Please submit membership fees with your name, address and telephone number to the Rectory Office by January 22nd.

Many thanks to all the folks who participated in this new program in 2009. Almost \$15,000 in prize money was distributed last year. Please consider being a participant in this year's program in order to help support Our Lady of Mercy and make this year's program as successful as last year's.

January Movie: Monsters VS. Aliens

Kids- get ready to have a blast! Don't miss it! Our next parish movie night will be Friday, Jan 22nd at the Church Hall- 6:30 p.m. for the showing in 3D-Blu Ray of Monsters VS Aliens, a kid- friendly show about the wacky world of strange creatures who visit us!

Cost: \$10 (includes glasses, popcorn, drink and candy) Sign up forms are located at the entry ways of the church. Proceeds benefit our parish.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Jobs Available

The United States Constitution provides that there shall be a nation-wide census every ten years in order to determine representation in the House of Representatives. The next census is scheduled for 2010. The Census Bureaus needs workers, both clerical and field. Hours and location are flexible and both full-time and part-time positions are available. For more information, call 1-866-861-2010 or E-Mail: www.2010censusjobs.gov

SNOW SHOVELING

Kidz Care will again be out shoveling snow. Phone Brandi at 718-986-2707 for information.

Available

The rectory has three wheelchairs and two walkers in storage. If any parishioners have a need for them, they are welcome to call us at 1-718-268-6143 to arrange for a pick-up.

OLM DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2010

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
01-13-10	7:30 pm	Cenacle of Divine Mercy at the Parish Hall
01-20-10	8:30 pm	Fellowship
	7:30 pm	DM Devotion
	8:00 pm	Praise and Worship
01-27-10	9:00 pm	Fellowship
	7:30 pm	Cenacle of Divine Mercy at the Parish Hall
	8:30 pm	Fellowship
02-03-10	7:30 pm	DM Devotion
	8:00 pm	Eucharistic Exposition
	9:00 pm	Fellowship
02-10-10	7:30 pm	Cenacle of Divine Mercy at the Parish Hall
	8:30 pm	Fellowship
	7:30 pm	DM Devotion
02-17-10	8:00 pm	Praise and Worship
	9:00 pm	Fellowship
	7:30 pm	Cenacle of Divine Mercy at the Parish Hall
02-24-10	7:30 pm	Cenacle of Divine Mercy at the Parish Hall
	8:30 pm	Fellowship

PASTORAL PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Pastoral Planning Council (PPC) will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. If anyone has any questions regarding this meeting, please contact Rubi Macaulay at 718-300-5685.

GUY'S NITE OUT

Calling all guys 21 and over: Looking for something to do on Friday February 5, 2010 from 7:00 to 11:00? Come join us for this men only RELAXING event for a night of cards, food, and drink and just hanging out at Our Lady of Mercy Hall. Admission is \$15.00 and the card game stakes are no more than \$.50 to a \$1.00. Please R.S.V.P. Jim Golden at 347-886-3643 or 718-793-2033 by Monday, February 1, 2010. Hope to see you all there and feel free to bring a friend or two!

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

James Kelly
by
Kelly and Cartmell Families

Children's Worship Bulletin

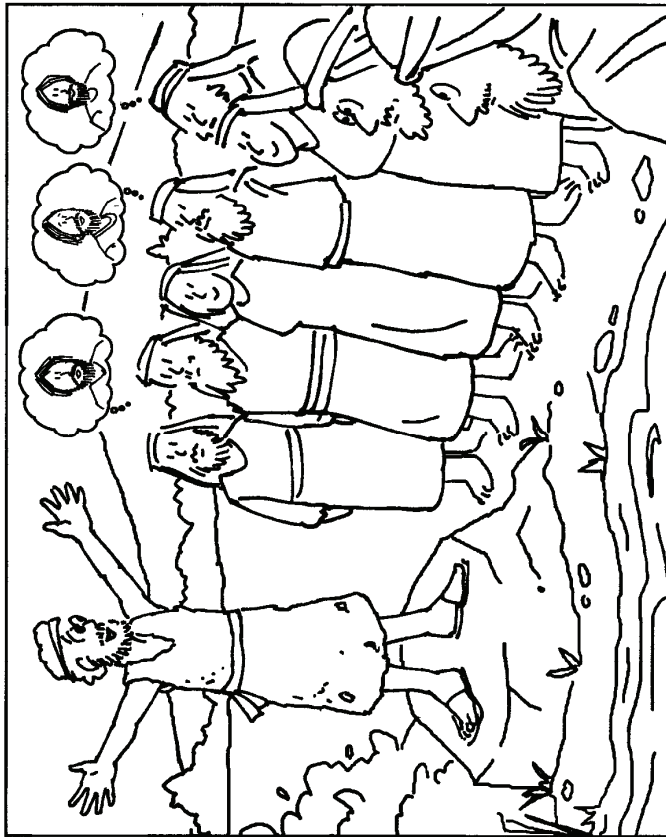
Ages 3-6

January 10, 2010 • Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Jesus Is Baptized

The people wondered if John might be the Christ.

Count how many people are thinking of Jesus.
3 or 4 ?



While Jesus was praying, heaven opened.
The Holy Spirit came like a dove.



Circle the picture of the dove.

