

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	April 17th
5:00 PM	Helen Speros
Sunday	April 18th
8:30 AM	Savarese & O'Neill Families
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Maria Pinzon
6:00 PM	Rose McNulty
Monday	April 19th
7:00 AM	Isabella Minischetti
8:30 AM	Joseph & Maria Canich
12:00 PM	Angela Piazza
Tuesday	April 20th
7:00 AM	Frank Morison
8:30 AM	Bridget Murphy
12:00 PM	Lorraine Fargano
Wednesday	April 21st
7:00 AM	Ellen Kaestel
8:30 AM	Claire Scott
12:00 PM	Robert Hegermiller (1st Anniversary)
Thursday	April 22nd
7:00 AM	Odette Perpignand
8:30 AM	Leokadia Bogal
12:00 PM	Capt. Peter Sulewski (Living Intention)
Friday	April 23rd
7:00 AM	Amparo Abel-Bey (Living Intention)
8:30 AM	Angela Karina Noblecilla
12:00 PM	Charles Stramera
Saturday	April 24th
8:30 AM	Leonard V. Quigley & William J. Kirby
5:00 PM	Rosalia Houtchens
Sunday	April 25th
8:30 AM	Rose A. McNulty
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Filippo Zaccaria (1st Anniversary)
6:00 PM	Mickey Dowd

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'Neill, Ceil Koluch, Marian Herman, Cindy Schneider, Laurence Vono, Jean Buff Norton, Mary Panny, Mary Aloisi, Dr. Anthony Bennardo, Maria Vega, Remington Stafford, Maureen Albert, Philip Califano, Grace Zerbo, Charles Sullivan, Concetta & Vittorio Alesi, Mary O'Driscoll, Zoraya Esplait, Dina Fabiitti, Rose Bruno, Andy Brunetti, Joan Garone, Michael Gaynor, III, Marco Caban, Yoshie Powell, Janis Wallenstein, Sarah Donahue, MaryAnn Schnepf, Theresa Piro Gorman, Dan Hochstadt, Michael Ackkerman, Bridget Donaghy

ARMED SERVICES

Edy Claudio & Robert Claudio, 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 Kilsa Ciprian, US Army, Sgt. Larry Saume, The 1174th DDSB & 873rd TC DET, Captain Patrick L. Davis, U.S. Army (JAG), Patrick Hedderman, Lt. Brendan T. Cremins, U.S. Navy, Timothy M. Gorman, Chief Hospital Corpsman, U.S. Navy, Capt. Peter Sulewski, U.S. Army

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Florence McGee

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Dan O'Connor - St. Margaret
Jillian Sullivan - Resurrection/Ascension

Peter Yuskevich - OLM
Katherine Selezinov - Miraculous Medal

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**SUNDAY – APRIL 18th**

-Third Sunday of EASTER.

-Children's "Liturgy of the Word" at the 10:00 AM Mass.
-"Parish Assembly" – Parish Hall at 1:00 PM. – Luncheon followed by the business of the meeting. . .all part of the Strategic Planning Process in our Diocese of Brooklyn & Queens. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

-Monthly Teen Mass at 6:00 PM followed by social gathering the Parish Hall to 9:00 PM.

All teenagers of the parish are welcome.

MONDAY – APRIL 19th

-Easter Season weekday liturgy at the Masses.

TUESDAY – APRIL 20th

-Easter Season weekday liturgy at the Masses.

-Prayer Group - Rectory Meeting Room at 9:00 AM.

-OLM School "Garden Club" – School Courtyard – 2:30 to 3:15 PM.

-"Many More Alleluias to Come" – presentation by Father Robert Lauder and Sister Ave Clarke – Church at 7:30 PM. All are welcome.

-"Awakening Faith" program – session 8 – Rectory Meeting Room at 7:30 PM

-Cub Scouts – Parish Hall at 7:30 PM.

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 21ST

-Easter Season weekday liturgy at the Masses.

-OLM Golden Age Club – Parish Hall at noon.

- CCD religious instructions – in the church at 2:15 PM.

-"SPIRIT NIGHT" – Parish Hall at 7:30 PM – for the student candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation and their parents.

-Divine Mercy at 7:30 PM in Church

THURSDAY – APRIL 22nd

-Easter Season weekday liturgy at the Masses.

-CCD Confirmation class – rectory at 4:00 PM.

-"Office of Faith Formation"- formation course – Parish Hall from 4:00 to 6:30 PM.

FRIDAY – APRIL 23rd

-Easter Season weekday liturgy at the Masses.

SATURDAY – APRIL 24th

-Easter Season weekday liturgy at the 8:30 AM Mass.

-Confessions – 4:00 to 4:45 PM.

-Filipino Mass in church at 6:30 PM followed by social gathering in the Parish Hall.

From the
Pastor's Desk



Christ Jesus Our Hope, a Diocesan Strategic Plan for Renewal has begun in our Diocese of Brooklyn (& Queens). Part of this process invites each parish to consider its future but to do so in light of the larger diocesan Church.

In response to the Bishop's invitation, Our Lady of Mercy Parish will sponsor a Parish Assembly this Sunday, April 18th at 1:00 P.M. in the Church Hall. All parishioners, young and old, are invited to review the pastoral, participatory and financial life of our parish and to provide input on questions and planning regarding our future..

We will hold a simple lunch at 1:00 p.m. followed by the Assembly. Please make every effort to attend so that we can have as much input as possible on the future of our parish and our Diocese. We hope to conclude our discussions by 3:00 P.M.

As parishioners and parish leaders engage in a critical reflection on the current and future life of their parish, a broader understanding of the challenges faced by the entire Diocese is also needed. Consequently on the larger scale, the Planning Commission for *Christ Jesus Our Hope* will issue a four-part Diocesan Report beginning on Friday, April 16th, 2010. Each week a different aspect of Diocesan Life will be examined. *Part One* presents the overall pastoral Life of the Diocese, including an examination of Sacramental Celebrations, Mass attendance and Faith Formation. Subsequent reports will examine finances, demographics and parish leadership. If you wish to read the entire text for *Part One* of this **Diocesan Report**, please visit: www.ChristJesusOurHope.com. A summary of *Part One* will also appear in this week's edition of *The Tablet*.

This **Diocesan Report** may be very beneficial as background material for our Parish Assembly.

Please join us Sunday!

In Christ,

Monsignor John A. McGuirl

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 23, 2010. If you or someone you know can benefit from this opportunity, please contact Sister as soon as possible.

BEREAVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and need support and understanding please join one of our Bereavement Groups. We meet monthly and will be happy to journey with you during this difficult time.

Next Evening Meeting: April 27th at 7:30 P.M. in the Rectory Meeting Room. (Date changed due to Tuesday evening Lenten Programs).

Next Morning Meeting: April 29th at 11:00 A.M. in the Rectory Meeting Room.

Whatever your loss, we are here for you.

Welcome!!!

On the weekend of April 24/25th, our parish will welcome two young men studying for the Diocesan priesthood. Mr. Paul Kim and Mr. Raymond Flores are both post-college seminarians at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington Long Island. Both are in the first theology class (first of the five year theological program including a pastoral year in a parish). His home parish is St. Anne's Parish in Flushing, Mr. Kim is also in First Theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary and his home parish is St. Paul Ha-Sang Parish in Flushing. Both will give reflections about vocations during the Masses on the weekend of April 24/25th. It will be a joy to welcome them!

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY EVENING REFLECTION

St. John's University is sponsoring a "Year for Priests" Evening Reflection on "Meals in Luke: Lessons on Eucharist." The Evening Reflection will be given by Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, CM on Wednesday, April 28, 2010 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM at St. Thomas More Church on the Queens Campus of St. John's University. There is no charge. All are welcome.

Community News

-St Francis of Assisi Church at 21-17 45th Street, Astoria, NY, 11105, is sponsoring a Flea Market on April 24th, 2010 from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. New and used items! If you are interested in being a vendor, please call Lucy at 1-917-335-2695

-Harvest Houses in Syosset, Long Island, created in 1985, is a model of housing for seniors. There are now three Harvest Houses on Long Island; the original in Syosset, Harvest Grove in Lake Grove and Harvest Park in Floral Park. Each serves eight well, independent elderly men and women, in a true experience of family. Each House offers affordable, gracious living with privacy and companionship, security and quality of life. There are openings at the Syosset and Floral Park Residences. Please contact: Sister Jeanne A. Brendel, O.P., CSW, Executive Director, at 1-516-496-9796.

-A Trip to the Cape Cod Irish Village, lead by Father Vincent Daly from Our Lady of Perpetual Help in South Ozone Park, will take place from May 10 to 14, 2010. Call Father Daly or Martha at 718-843-1212 for more information.

-Ozanam Hall of Queens Nursing Home in Bayside is pleased to announce that the 13th Annual Rose of Carmel Benefit Gala will be held at Russo's on the Bay on Wednesday, May 12, 2010. All proceeds will benefit The Ozanam Geriatric Foundation. For further information or tickets, please contact Gail D. O'Donovan, Sr. Charlotte Michael or Kathleen Baratta in the Development Office at 718-971-2020 / 2021 or 2022.

-Holy Cross High School at 26-20 Francis Lewis Boulevard, Flushing is sponsoring a summer basketball camp. There will be four sessions. For further information and/or to request an application, call (718) 886-7250, ext. 525 or visit their website at www.holycrosshs.org.

-Our Lady of the Angelus, Rego Park has organized a pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal for the October 13th Feast Day. The tour also includes Lourdes and Paris, France and Burgos, Spain. For further information, call Priscilla Prichard at 718-275-6884 or e-mail pprichard19@hotmail.com.

-The 1st Annual Community Earth Day Fair will be held on Sunday, April 25, 2010 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Central Queens Y in Forest Hills. For more information on the Earth Day Fair, call 718-268-5011, ext. 151, e-mail pkurtz@cqvjcc.org or visit our website at www.cqvjcc.org.

-A Neighborhood Flea Market, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Forest Hills, will be held on Sunday, May 16, 2010 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM (set-up at 7:30 AM) in the Maspeth Federal Savings Bank parking lot at 101-09 Metropolitan Avenue, Forest Hills. There is a \$20 non-refundable donation to the Forest Hills Kiwanis Club and a \$10 refundable clean up fee to reserve a space. For more information, call Victoria Grappone at Maspeth Federal at 718-520-1500.

Appreciation Party

Our annual Appreciation Party will be On April 25th after the 12:00 Noon Mass. We have tried to reach each parish volunteer but there is always a chance that someone was missed. If you are a volunteer in any parish ministry or society, please submit you name to the rectory by April 18th so that the proper preparations can be made.



News from the 112th Police Precinct Council:

Precinct Council Meeting – The next meeting of the council will be on April 21, 2010 at 7:30 PM at the 112th precinct, 68-40 Austin Street. The guest speaker will be Hon. Richard Brown, Queens District Attorney.

Cases for Kids Project – The precinct council is working with the Rego Park Forest Hills Lions Club to collect suitcases to give to foster children. Donations of a new or slightly used clean suitcase can be made at the April 21st precinct council meeting.

Census Forms – Please mail back your completed census form. For each person who is not counted, the community loses \$30,000. In addition, the number of representatives for Queens is determined by the count.

Burglary Alert – keep yourself safe:

-Make sure all windows and doors are locked at night before going to bed

-Call 911 if you see anything suspicious

-Leave your front and rear lights on at night.

-Leave a radio and a light on when you are not at home

-If you have an alarm, activate it before going to bed and when leaving for the day

For a free security survey of your home, call Crime Prevention Officer Vailes at 718-520-9319

All About Queens – This is a weekly cable interview TV show, hosted by Heidi Chain, featuring discussions about topics that affect our residents, businesses and community. It can be seen on Monday at 9:00 PM on Channel 34 (Time Warner Cable) and Channel 82 (RCN). It can also be seen on Tuesday at 12:00 PM on Channel 56 (Time Warner Cable) and Channel 84 (RCN). E-mail Heidi Chain at heidichain@yahoo.com with ideas for topics or guests

OLM DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
05-05-10	7:00 p.m.	DM Devotion, Chaplet
	7:30 p.m.	Healing Mass
05-12-10	7:30 p.m.	DM Cenacle
		Fellowship – Parish Hall
05-19-10	7:30 p.m.	DM Devotion, Chaplet
		Praise and Worship – Church
		Fellowship – Parish Hall
05-26-10	7:30 p.m.	DM Cenacle
		Fellowship – Parish Hall

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS



We apologize that the following names were omitted from the Easter Flower Memorial list published in April 4th bulletin:

In Loving Memory of

Leslie Jones

Henry Jagiello

Donated by

Sarah Jones

Marilyn & Children



Alleluia Evening of Prayer

We may all feel a little let down after the glory of the Easter celebrations. Want to revive those drooping spirits? Join us on Tuesday, April 20th in the Church at 7:30 P.M. as Sister Ave Clark, OP and Father Bob Lauder present an “Alleluia” Evening of Prayer. Sister Ave is well known in our Diocese for her imaginative and effective “Heart to Heart” Ministry Programs. Father Bob Lauder teaches philosophy at St. John’s University and is well known for his engaging articles in our Diocesan newspaper *The Tablet*.

Little Sisters of The Poor

The Little Sisters of the Poor, who work with the elderly poor of our Diocese and throughout the world, invite you to an evening of *Broadway Classics* sung by Gay Willis at Bishop Kellenberg High School in Uniondale, Long Island at 2:00 P.M. on May 16th. For tickets and further information, please call 1-718-464-180 or E-mail: qpdevelopment@littlesistersofthepoor.org

The Little Sisters also invite all golfers to their annual Queen of Peace Residence Golf Outing and Dinner on Monday, May 3rd, 2010 at the Hempstead Country Club. For more information, please call the Development Office at 1-718-464-1800.

International Theological Institute

The International Theological Institute located outside of Vienna, Austria will offer a two-week course for University Students from August 1st to August 14, 2010 entitled *Christ My Future*.

The Institute will also offer a forum for business presidents and CEOs from September 5th through September 11th.

For course descriptions and more information visit: www.iti.ac.at or telephone: 011-43 2253 218 08 or Fax: 011-43 2253 218 084. E-mail: administration@iti.ac.at.

The Catherine Laboure School

The Catherine Laboure School provides academic service to students who are learning disabled as well as speech impaired in grades 5-8. There is an Open House on April 20th & 21st 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. The school is at 21 Bay 11th Street (86th Street off 16th Avenue) in Brooklyn. For further information, please call 1-718-449-1857.

Confirmation

SPIRIT NIGHT

On April 21st at 7:30 P.M. in the Lower Church Hall our Confirmation Candidates and their parents will attend an important evening of prayer and shared activity. Please continue to pray for our Candidates as they continue their preparation for receiving Confirmation this Fall.

Tri-M Girls CYO Swim Team



2010 Diocesan Champs CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TRI-M GIRLS CYO SWIM TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING 2010 SEASON!

On Saturday, April 10, the CYO Girls Olympics were held at the Nassau County Aquatic Center. The TRI-M Girls Swim Team won 5 gold medals, 6 silver medals and 1 bronze medal.

On Sunday, April 11, the Diocesan Championships were held at the Nassau County Aquatic Center. The TRI-M Girls Swim Team entered the championship meet with a perfect dual meet record of 7 wins and no losses. TRI-M, representing Our Lady of Mercy and Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, won its **8th consecutive Diocesan Championship** with a tremendous score of 367 points.

A round of applause goes to Head Coach Mary Leong and Assistant Coaches Alex Leong, Melissa Santos, Carolyn McNulty and Amy Martinez. The girls are grateful to their coaches and the parents who volunteer to help on deck and time the meets.

We will miss the graduating senior swimmers and wish them good luck: Anne Codd, Mariah Ilardi-Lowy, Nicole Kotnik, Daniela Marquez, Christina Martello, Emma Miller, Melissa Neuman, Ashley O'Brien, Giana Orlando, Samantha Santos, Nicole Spina, Victoria Taibe and Kelly Whelan.

The Championship Dinner will be held on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at 6:00 PM at Our Lady of Mercy in the Lower Church Hall.