

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	August 7th
5:00 PM	Michael Paslavsky
Sunday	August 8th
8:30 AM	Joan Smolinski
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Pauline Eppich
6:00 PM	Michael Paslavsky
Monday	August 9th
7:00 AM	Nicholas Mele
8:30 AM	George & Catherine Inserra
12:00 PM	Guiseppe Belcastro
Tuesday	August 10th
7:00 AM	Calogero Scimeca
8:30 AM	Andrew Cariello & Agnes R. Bedson
12:00 PM	Walter Froth
Wednesday	August 11th
7:00 AM	Michael Minschetti
8:30 AM	Joseph DiCapua
12:00 PM	In Thanksgiving to St. Jude
Thursday	August 12th
7:00 AM	Sean O'Hare
8:30 AM	Irene Sheahan
12:00 PM	Marilyn Jagiello (Living Intention)
Friday	August 13th
7:00 AM	Thomas Arbuckle (Living Intention)
8:30 AM	Diane Yezvita & Matthew Yezvita
12:00 PM	Anna Stanick
Saturday	August 14th
8:30 AM	Peter Sweeney
5:00 PM	Mary Ann & John Camporese
Sunday	August 15th
8:30 AM	Justina Vemeramda
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Henry A. Timmerman (40th Anniversary)
6:00 PM	Louisa & Brisillo Molina

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

James Schnepf, Ann Sullivan, Adam Sobel, Ann Kelly, John Vecchione, Rev. James Moran, Anthony Bair, Maria Let, Thomas O'Niall, Ceil Koluch, Marian Herman, Cindy Schneider, Laurence Vono, Jean Buff Norton, Mary Aloisi, Maria Vega, Remington Stafford, Maureen Albert, Philip Califano, Grace Zerbo, Charles Sullivan, Concetta Alesi, Rose Bruno, Andy Brunetti, Joan Garone, Michael Gaynor, III, Marco Caban, Yoshie Powell, Janis Wallenstein, Sarah Donahue, Theresa Piro Gorman, Dan Hochstadt, Michael Ackkerman, Bridget Donaghy, Tina Ambrisano, Eileen Sullivan, Larisa Matatoy, Christine Alzati, Virginia Castronova, Eileen Griffin, Carl Moller, Angela Martini, Maureen Cahill, Rachael Kugel, Elvira Klein, Frances Riordan, Allan Remsen, Don Patterson, Rose D'Amico, Michael Gillen, Walter Fruth, Herbert Paulstich, Dussie Ivey, Larry Ciarelli, Sr., Sarah Ginsberg, Peter Bay

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Arthur J. Birley
Nicholas J. Capua

ALTAR FLOWERS

Many thanks for this week's flower donation given in memory of

Catherine Visconti
By
Her Daughter, Mary Visconti

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**SUNDAY – AUGUST 8th**

-Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary liturgical time.

MONDAY – AUGUST 9th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday liturgy at the Masses

TUESDAY – AUGUST 10th

-Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr.

WEDNESDAY – AUGUST 11th

-Commemoration at the Masses of St. Clare.

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

-Divine Mercy Cenacle - Parish Hall at 7:30 PM.

THURSDAY – AUGUST 12th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday liturgy at the Masses

FRIDAY – AUGUST 13th

-Ordinary liturgical time weekday liturgy at the Masses

SATURDAY – AUGUST 14th

-Commemoration at the 8:30 AM Mass of St.

Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr.

-Confessions – 4:00 -- to 4:45 PM.

-“Line Dancing” in the Parish Hall at 6:30 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

Angie Pinzone
By
Mr. & Mrs. M. Tinnirello

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Registration for Religious Education Classes for the 2010/2011 school year will be held in the CONVENT as follows:

Wednesday – Sept. 8th from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.
 Sunday – Sept. 12th from 9:30 A.M. to Noon

Classes will meet as follows beginning Sept. 15th
 Grades K-6 – Wednesdays – 2:15 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.
 Grade 7 – Confirmation Class – Date and Time to be determined

The Registration Fees are \$125.00 for one child, \$200.00 for two and \$250.00 for three or more children. There will be an additional \$10.00 fee for First Communion (Grade 2) and Confirmation (Grade 7) Classes to cover extra books and materials.

There will be a Late Registration Fee of \$25.00 for registrations done after Sept.12th. Parents registering children in our program for the first time must do so in person.

If your child was not Baptized at Our Lady of Mercy, you must bring his/her Baptismal Certificate with you at the time of registration.

Also, we would appreciate receiving a small photo (no larger than wallet size) of your child/children. As we only see the children once a week we feel this will be beneficial to us. If there are any questions, please call the Religious Education Office at 718-261-6285.

Registering CCD Children Already in Program

If your child is already attending Religious Instructions on Wednesday afternoons, you can go to our web site, www.mercyhills.org. and download the registration form for this coming year. Simply fill it out and return the form and payment to the Rectory or Religious Education Office. Only new students need to be registered in person.

Interested in Being a Catechist?

We have a small, friendly group of children from the local Public Schools who come for Religious Education on Wednesdays from 2:15 to 3:30pm. We are always looking for teachers who would be willing to work with our children at this time. We will help you prepare to do this with special materials that support learning.

If you are free and interested in teaching a small class of children, please fill out the information below and Sr. Ann Barbara will contact you. Thank You.

Check the task you are willing to do:

Yes, I am willing to teach _____

I am willing to substitute _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____

Please return to Rectory or Convent as soon as possible.
 Thank You...Sr. Ann Barbara

RCIA INVITATION

If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or desires to become a Catholic, the RCIA is a program of welcome, prayer and reflection that can help you take the next step. This program is also available for baptized Catholics who may have never received First Communion or Confirmation. It is our joy to help you be fully initiated into the Catholic faith. Please contact Sr. Ann Barbara at 718-268-6285 to learn more.

ARMED SERVICES

Edy Claudio & Robert Claudio, 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, Major Patrick L. Davis, U.S. Army (JAG),
 Patrick Hedderman, Lt. Brendan T. Cremins, U.S. Navy, Capt. Peter Sulewski, U.S. Army, S/Sgt.
 Harry Cruz, 82nd Army Airborne, William Kasten, U.S. Navy, Vincent Adamovich, U.S. Navy,
 Cory Eisler, U.S. Navy, Major Andrew L. Mattson, USAF-USCENTCOM



Community News

-Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services WIC Program offers food vouchers, nutrition and health education, counseling and referrals for medical and dental care to low income families. Call 718-657-2580 or e-mail rkaiser@ccbq.org for more information.

-St. Agnes Academic High School, College Point, Home of the 2010 CHSAA Cheerleading Champions, will hold a **Summer Cheerleading Clinic** for 7th and 8th grade girls from Monday, August 9 through Friday, August 13. The clinic will be held from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon each day. The cost is \$75.00. For more information, contact Mrs. Susan Nicoletti at 718-353-6276 Ext. 12.

-The Beginning Experience provides help for the heartache of divorce, separation and widowhood – a weekend away for a lifetime of change. The next weekend is August 20 – 22, 2010. For information and reservations, call John at (516) 822-0635, Karen at (201) 736-8200 or Jim at (718) 474-3779.

-The Parents Association of St. Agnes Academic High School in College Point is sponsoring a “**Crafts Fair**” on Saturday, November 13, 2010. Craft vendors take note – don’t be left out – reserve your space now! For information, call Lori at 718-353-1337.

-Catholic Charities Community Center (23-40 Astoria Blvd, Astoria) is hosting a **Kid’s Fun Day** on Wednesday, August 11, 2010 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Free activities include clown and balloon creations, safety kits and fingerprinting, fire safety education, crafts, games, raffle prizes, giveaways, face painting and much more. For more information, call 718-726-9790.

-The former students and staff of Dominican Commercial High School are invited to attend a special **Tea with Spirit** celebration at the Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Dominic at 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, on Sunday afternoon, October 3, 2010. Please call Benincasa Family Services at 631-842-6000 Ext. 351 or email dcgrads@yahoo.com if you would like to receive an invitation.

-The American Cancer Society invites you to learn more about this year’s **Making Strides Against Breast Cancer** program at a kickoff breakfast to be held on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at 7:30 AM. If you are interested in attending the breakfast, please contact Bianca Garcia at 718-261-1092 Ext. 5502.

-Our Lady Queen of Martyrs’ St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, August 11, 2010 after the 12:05 PM Mass. All are welcome.

-The Pilgrimage Office of the Diocese of Brooklyn is sponsoring a **Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** from March 24 to April 1, 2011 (optional extension to Egypt). Msgr. Jamie Gigantiello will be the chaplain. For a brochure, call The Pilgrimage Office at 718-965-7313 or e-mail Pilgrimages@rcdob.org.

POOR BOX

Calls for assistance will continue during the summer months. Please remember the poor and make a donation to the Poor Boxes at the entries of the Church. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION WASHINGTON, DC OCTOBER 29 – 30, 2010

Our Lady of Mercy, along with the parishes of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Our Lady of the Angelus and Ascension in Elmhurst, will be participating in the **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION in Washington, DC**. This is an overnight trip – we will be leaving on Friday morning, October 29 and returning on Saturday evening, October 30. The price of the trip includes: transportation via motor coach, hotel accommodations at the Hilton Garden Arlington, dinner on Friday evening, full breakfast at the hotel on Saturday morning, a four hour guided tour of Washington or leisure time at the Smithsonian Museums, visit to the Franciscan Monastery and Gardens or the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center, and Mass on Saturday at the Shrine with Bishop DiMarzio. The price for the trip, per person, is: Single - \$315.00, Double - \$249.00, Triple - \$219.00, Quad - \$199.00. Reservation flyers are available at the church entrances. If you have any questions or need more information, please call Sue Karcher at (718) 268-6143. Give yourself a spiritual mini-vacation – those who came on the trip in 2008 had a great time. Consider joining us – you’ll be glad you did!

2011 MASS BOOK

The 2011 Mass Book is now open. If you would like to arrange for 5 or more Masses in 2011, you can submit your request in writing to the Rectory Office.

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Thank you for your beautiful response to our weekly Flower Memorials for the Church. There are many dates available during the Summer months.

If you have a loved one you wish remembered please contact the Rectory at 718-268-6143. The cost of this donation is \$150.00 for two arrangements for our altar. The name of your loved one will appear in a notice in the weekly bulletin.

DOMINICAN VILLAGE OPEN HOUSE

Dominican Village, a not-for-profit, non-sectarian, **Independent and Assisted Living Residence Rental Retirement Community**, sponsored by the Sisters of St. Dominic, is holding an Open House from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM on August 12. For more information, contact Emily in the Community Relations Office at 631-842-6618



Basketball REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2010-2011 basketball season will be held on Tuesday, September 7 and Thursday, September 9 from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Lower Church Hall. Programs are available for girls and boys in pre-school through 8th grade. New coaches are requested to register on these dates.

OLM SPORTS COMMITTEE

A special meeting of the OLM Sports Committee will be held on Thursday, September 9 at 8:00 PM in the Lower Church Hall. All current members and anyone interested in joining the committee are invited to attend. In addition, all basketball coaches (returning and new) for the 2010-2011 season are requested to attend the meeting.

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 success! We are happy to report that 32 units of blood were collected. Very special thanks go to Joan Minischetti for service above and beyond the call of duty in making the donation process run so smoothly throughout the day.

The Carmelite Third Order

The **Carmelite Third Order** cordially invites you to consider becoming a member. Members remain in their own homes and jobs but come together for prayer and spiritual support. Open to both men and women, single or married, members share in the graces derived from the prayer and work of the Carmelite Order. An informational session will be held at **Ozanam Hall Nursing Home** on Friday, August 20, 2010 at 7:30 PM. For more information, contact Ann Callaghan at 718-423-2000.

SAVE THE DATE

Father Anthony Fernando, who assisted us here at Our Lady of Mercy for many Summers while he was studying in Rome and continues to do so now since his return to India, celebrated his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on May 15, 2010. Join us on Sunday, August 15, 2010 after the 12:00 Noon Mass for a Coffee Hour in the Lower Church Hall to honor Father Anthony on the occasion of his special anniversary. All are invited!

FAMILY, MARRIAGE AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY

Professional therapy, provided by NYS licensed therapists, is available to our parish and 102 other parishes. This program, under the direction of Dr. George Giuliani, has been conducted in the Diocese for the past 36 years for the convenience of parishioners. Services are provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, a proprietary professional corporation, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or Diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. Confidential information and appointments are available by calling Dr. Giuliani at 631-243-2503 or go to our website at <http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.com>.

