

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

167 Mount Bethel Road, Warren, New Jersey 07059
Serving the Catholic Community of Warren since 1911

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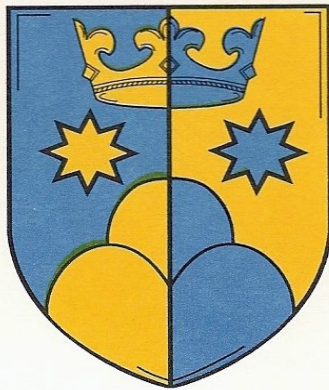
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HIS MERCY IS FROM AGE TO AGE

MASS SCHEDULES

SUNDAY MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM (CHURCH)
SUNDAY 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM (CHURCH)

DAILY MASS

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9:00 AM (CHAPEL)
SATURDAY: 9:00 AM (CHAPEL)

HOLY DAY MASSES

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM (CHURCH)

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Parents are asked to call the Parish Office to schedule a date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. in the Church.

Sacrament of Marriage

Diocesan policy requires that couples participate in a marriage preparation program prior to their wedding. To ensure that all the necessary arrangements can be made, couples should contact the Parish Office at least one year in advance of their wedding date, and before any other plans have been made.

Sacrament of Holy Orders and Consecrated Life

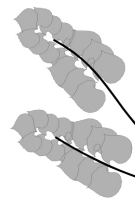
Anyone interested in learning more about a life of service to the People of God as a priest, deacon, a religious brother or sister is encouraged to speak with Fr. Sean or call the Office of Vocations at (732) 562-1990.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

A small group process by which a person inquires into becoming a Catholic, and may receive the Sacraments of Initiation, namely Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation, followed by continuous growth in the faith. Anyone interested may contact the Parish Office.

Ministry to the Sick

Every Sunday morning Ministers of Holy Communion bring the Eucharist to homebound parishioners. To request your name to be placed on the Communion list, please call the Parish Office. The clergy of the parish are available to visit sick family members, whether at home or in the hospital. Please let us know how we can be of assistance to you and your loved ones.



Peacemakers

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

Parish Office (908) 647-1075—Fax (908) 647-7885

Office for Catechesis (908) 647-1402

Office of Sacred Music (908) 647-0451

Website www.olmwarren.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 27

8:00 AM For the Intentions of Our Parishioners

10:00 AM Monica Zimmer
r/o Esther & Rafael Miranda

11:30 AM Tumblety Family r/o Rita Genz

Monday, September 28

9:00 AM John Klingert r/o Sylvia Smalley

Tuesday, September 29

9:00 AM John Klingert r/o Trudy Fritze

Wednesday, September 30

9:00 AM Ann Meyer r/o Family

Thursday, October 1

9:00 AM Michael DeAngelis r/o Mary deAngelis

Friday, October 2

9:00 AM Angelo Cicala r/o Angela Lombardi

Saturday, October 3

9:00 AM Mass of Remembrance

5:00 PM For the Intentions of Our Parishioners

Sunday, October 4

8:00 AM Elizabeth Nawracaj
r/o Antonina Memoli & Family

10:00 AM Living Members of the Altar Rosary Society
r/o Altar Rosary Society

11:30 AM Angelo Cicala r/o Maria DiCiaula & Family



Please remember in your prayers the sick and shut-ins of our parish, all those listed in the Parish Book of Intentions, and all the men and women in the Armed Forces.



Lord, grant eternal rest to the souls of our dearly departed, especially

Dennis T. Ledzian

(Husband of Joan, father of Steven and Bradford)

Frank Starr

(Father of Bernice Sorrentino)

We offer our sympathy and prayers to their families and friends.

Ministers for the Weekend Of...

OCTOBER 3-4, 2009

5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:30 AM
Celebrant: Fr. Sean	Celebrant: Msgr. Capik	Celebrant: Fr. Sean	Celebrant: Fr. Sean
Lector: M. Stoddard	Lector: L. Lenart	Lector: G. Montemurno	Lector: P. Cataruozolo
Ministers of Communion Team 2	Ministers of Communion Team 2	Ministers of Communion Team 2	Ministers of Communion Team 2
Altar Servers P. Austin V. Castagno	Altar Servers E. Balkonis J. Henschel	Altar Servers D. Miller J. Thompson A. Digirolamo	Altar Servers M. Quense P. Clemente J. Clemente
		Music Ministry Adult Choir	



NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Last weekend, the following were received into our faith community. We pray that they will grow in God's life and love in the years ahead.

Rylan Adelaine Serrano

Daughter of Roberta (Flanagan) and Kenneth Serrano

Eric Stof Edelman

Son of Patricia (Stoffey) and Ari Edelman



STEWARDSHIP

A Way of Life

Treasure

September 19-20, 2009

Weekly Collection—\$9,084.95

Peter's Pence Collection—\$3,078.49

Thank you for your continued generosity.

TODAY'S GOSPEL...

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



In the deepest recesses of our hearts, we all desire to live in union with one another as God intends. The gospel intimates that the kingdom of God belongs to those who yield "hardness of...hearts" to the open embrace Jesus models. Just as the gospel moves from shortsighted confrontation over Mosaic laws of divorce to Jesus' tender embrace of little children, so must our lives move from our own shortsightedness to the wide embrace of God's ultimate plan—the blessing of union with one another.

2009 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Because We Are Church

Together we are the "living stones" (1 Peter 2:5) that form the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Metuchen. Your gift, combined with that of your fellow parishioners, will be used to enrich the lives of people in Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, and Warren Counties. Every gift is important. Thank you for your support.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

PERMANENT SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 11:30 A.M.

Tuesday, September 29, 2009
Prayer Group, 9:45 a.m., Fr. Russell Room
2nd Grade Parent Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Shepherds Hall

Wednesday, September 30
Weight Watchers, 5:30 p.m., Shepherds Hall
AA, 8:00 p.m., Shepherds Hall

Thursday, October 1, 2009
Bible Scripture Study, 9:45 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.,
Fr. Flynn Room

Friday, October 2, 2009
Altar Rosary Society Installation, 1:00 p.m., Chapel
Adoration, 9:30 a.m-7:00 p.m., Chapel
Benediction Following Adoration

Saturday, October 3
Knights of Columbus Membership Drive
Good Samaritan Ministry Collection—Coats and Gloves
AA, 8:00 p.m., Shepherds Hall

Sunday, October 4
Canned Fruit Collection for Food Bank
2nd Collection—Diocesan Assessment
Knights of Columbus Membership Drive, All Masses
Good Samaritan Ministry Collection—Coats and Gloves
Blessing of Animals, 12:45 p.m., Church Grounds

DEADLINES FOR BULLETIN ARTICLES

Information for the Sunday bulletin must be submitted to the parish office no later than the previous Thursday for the following week's bulletin (i.e., information due Thursday, October 1 for publication in the October 11 bulletin).



DEADLINES FOR LECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

All lector announcements must be submitted to the parish office no later than 12:00 p.m., each Wednesday. The announcement will be made at the coming Sunday Masses (i.e., announcement due Wednesday, September 30 for the October 4 Masses).

PARISH HAPPENINGS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word returns on October 4th, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

New this year! On the third Sunday of every month, the 10:00 a.m. Mass will be a Family Mass, celebrated by Fr. Sean. All children will be invited to come up to the altar, where Father will give a family oriented Homily.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me", and what a wonderful way for them to experience His teachings!

After the Mass, all parishioners are invited to join together for coffee and donuts in Shepherds Hall.

KNITTING GROUP PROJECTS FOR CENTER FOR GREAT EXPECTATIONS

Please remember to finish your knitting, crochet, or quilting projects to benefit the Center for Great Expectations by October 17th. They will be collected at the Church the weekend of October 17/18. The sale will be held November 21/22 at the Church.



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Thank you to all who are working to make a difference in the lives of the women and babies who are helped by this wonderful organization.

If you have any questions, please contact Claire Digirolamo at digirolamoclaire@yahoo.com

WINE DISCOVERY RESCHEDULED

Who knew? Unfortunately, the loyal followers of our fundraiser are unable to attend the Wine Tasting and Auction on September 26th. Therefore, the Good Samaritan Ministry is postponing the event until Saturday, February 20th, 2010, with a snow date of February 27th.

Our thanks to all who donated items and purchased tickets. All donated items will be retained until February, unless a request is made to have them returned. All checks and cash payments for tickets will be returned promptly. Anyone with questions should contact Kathy Dubois at (908) 580-9736.

THANK YOU...

The Good Samaritan Ministry extends special thanks to all parishioners who contributed to the Back-to-School Fund Drive. Your generous donations totaled \$1,700, which was used to purchase \$25 Walmart gift cards given to La Asuncion Church for the purchase of back-to-school clothes for the needy children of the parish.





OLM MUSIC MINISTRY

Do you, or your children, sing or play an instrument? Are you curious about ringing hand bells? Have you ever thought of cantoring? The music program here at Our Lady of the Mount offers many opportunities for music ministry for all levels of ability in a variety of styles.

Adult Choir - The adult choir meets Wednesdays, 8:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m., and sings most weekends. The style of music is more traditional, accompanied by organ or piano (occasionally a cappella).

Children's Choir (rehearsals begin September 30) - The children's choir meets Wednesdays from 4:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. and, generally, sings once each month.

Hand bell Choir - The hand bell choir meets Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. and plays at one Mass each month. All are welcome. No previous hand bell experience is necessary. Learn as you go!

Folk Choir - The folk choir sings music in a more contemporary style, accompanied by a variety of instruments. Rehearsals are one hour prior to the Mass that is being sung. The choir generally sings two weekends each month. I hope that many of you will be able to find one (or more!!) choirs that fit your needs and that of your family.

Please call the OLM Sacred Music Office (908) 647-0451, or e-mail to musicministry@olmwarren.org.

Tim Brown
Director of Sacred Music



GOOD SAMARITAN MISSION COLLECTION

The members of the Good Samaritan Ministry need to ask once more that you help us collect the items necessary to provide for the basic needs of the people of South Bound Brook.

Unfortunately, the times have forced many more people to use the soup kitchen for a weekly meal. It is while the soup kitchen is in operation on Wednesday evenings that our members dispense the items that you have so generously provided on a regular basis. Due to demand, however, our supplies have dwindled faster than ever.

The Good Samaritan Ministry will be handing out a list of the items needed after all Masses the weekend of October 3/4. A monetary collection will also take place for those of you who wish to contribute in lieu of providing the items requested. Checks should be made payable to the Good Samaritan Ministry. Any monies received will be designated for the purchase of supplies for the Good Samaritan Mission and its continued involvement in South Bound Brook. Any questions concerning donations or involvement in the Ministry can be directed to Kathy Dubois (908) 580-9736, or duboisggkj@yahoo.com.

The Good Samaritan Ministry makes regular visits to South Bound Brook twice each month and is always eager to welcome others to help in the distribution of the items we collect.

For further information, please contact Pierre LeDrappier at (908) 604-0294, or pledrapppier@optonline.net

SOMERSET COUNTY NINETEENTH ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN

On Sunday, October 4th, the Nineteenth Annual Life Chain in Somerset County will take place in downtown Somerville—rain or shine. October is RESPECT LIFE MONTH. What better way to start the month than to support the Life Chain:

A peaceful, prayerful public expression of support for the rights of unborn babies.

The purpose of Life Chain is to provide a visual statement of solidarity by our local community that abortion is grievously wrong and that we are opposed to the killing of babies, in or out of the womb.

Sign up today. For additional information, please call 732-356-8687.

SCHOOLS HOLD OPEN HOUSE

Union Catholic High School
1600 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains
Thursday, October 8, 7:00 p.m.

“Early Bird Tours” begin at 6:15
Call Betsy Thornton (908) 889-1600, ext. 302
Or e-mail bthornton@unioncatholic.org

Immaculata High School
240 Mountain Ave., Somerville
Sunday, October 11

12:00—3:00 p.m.

All Middle School Students and Families are Invited
Call Matt Pitucco, Admissions Director
(908) 722-0200, ext. 218
Or e-mail www.immaculatahighschool.org

RED CROSS TRAINING AT OLM

The Tri-County Red Cross Chapter is holding a series of free training courses in October to ready residents in response to disasters. The training ensures that the Red Cross and local communities are prepared in the event of major disasters such as Hurricane Floyd, 9-11, or the 2007 Nor'Easter.

Some volunteers are trained to staff local chapters. They are given free classes of nine hours to become certified shelter volunteers. Shelter and Response volunteers are activated only when a major disaster, such as a hurricane, strikes. They are entered into a nationwide database to be called on if disaster strikes.

Other volunteers join Disaster Action Teams and are on call to provide shelter, food, and clothing to neighbors who lose their homes to fire, or other local disasters.

Residents of Warren and the surrounding towns are invited to become Disaster Shelter Volunteers by completing the three-part training course that is being offered at Our Lady of the Mount Church on the following dates:

Tuesday, October 6	6:30-9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 20	6:30-9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 27	6:30-9:30 p.m.

Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. You can attend the sessions by registering at tricityredcross.org/dc.html, or by calling the Red Cross at (908) 756-6414, ext. 21. The website address also includes other dates/times/locations for the other area courses available.