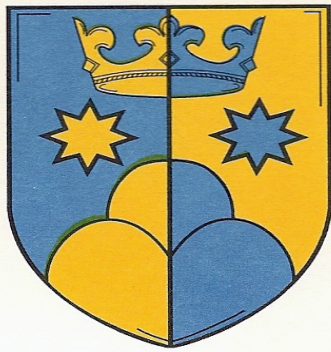


OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH



HIS MERCY IS FROM AGE TO AGE

MASS SCHEDULES

DECEMBER 24
9:00 A.M. CHAPEL
4:00 P.M. CHAPEL
4:00 P.M. CHURCH
6:30 P.M. CHURCH
12:00 MIDNIGHT CHURCH

DECEMBER 25
ALL MASSES IN CHURCH
8:00 A.M.—10:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sunday of each month at 12:45 p.m. Parents are asked to call the Parish Office to schedule a date. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, must attend Mass regularly and, if married, their marriage must be recognized by the Catholic Church. These requirements are the universal law of the Church, and are not determined by the individual Parish. If the person you choose as godparent fulfills these requirements, they are asked to furnish a statement from their Parish that they are indeed eligible to be a Sponsor.

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.

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OFFICE FOR CATECHESIS

Karen Dill, Parish Catechetical Leader

Brenda Hann, Secretary

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.



She will have a son
and name him
Emmanuel

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 19, 2010

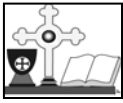
Parish Office (908) 647-1075—Fax (908) 647-7885

Office of Sacred Music (908) 647-0451

Director of Youth Ministry (908) 647-0952

Office for Catechesis (908) 647-1402

Website www.olmwarren.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Ministers for the Weekend Of...

Sunday, December 19

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners
 10:00 AM Mary Campione r/o Robert Campione
 11:30 AM Anthony Basile r/o The Family

Monday, December 20

9:00 AM Ellen Coakes r/o Marie & Fred Reich

Tuesday, December 21

9:00 AM Edward A. Jansen r/o The Family

Wednesday, December 22

9:00 AM Marty Abraham r/o Helene Abraham

Thursday, December 23

9:00 AM Bill Smalley r/o The Family

Friday, December 24 CHRISTMAS EVE


9:00 AM Dennis Ledzian r/o Mother, Sophia
 4:00 PM For Our Parishioners
 4:00 PM For Our Parishioners
 6:30 PM For Our Parishioners
 12:00 AM For Our Parishioners

Saturday, December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners
 10:00 AM For Our Parishioners
 11:30 AM For Our Parishioners

Sunday, December 26

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners
 10:00 AM Donald Lloyd r/o Art & Peggy Folli
 11:30 AM Thomas Lehy r/o The Senff 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

Frank Kelly
Beloved Uncle

Cosimo Paone

Husband of Louise (Deceased)
 Father of Michael, Mark, Bruce, and Karen (Deceased)

Julia Lewis

Wife of Arthur, Mother of Preston, Mark, and David

Kimberley Baum

Wife of Wesley, Mother of Spencer and Whitney
 Daughter of Phyllis Staskewicz
 Sister of Lori and Wendy

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



December 24, 2010

4:00 PM Chapel	4:00 PM Church	6:30 PM Church	12:00 AM Church
Celebrant: Msgr. Capik	Celebrant: Fr. Sean	Celebrant: Fr. Kelly	Celebrant: Fr. Sean
Lector: C. Dorsi	Lector: Children	Lector: R. Allen	Lector: P.Cataruozolo
	Music Min. Children's Choir		Music Min. Adult Choir

December 25, 2010

8:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:30 AM
Celebrant: Msgr. Capik	Celebrant: Fr. Sean	Celebrant: Fr. Sean
Lector: P. Major	Lector: D.Birmingham	Lector: J. Steliga



STEWARDSHIP

A Way of Life

Treasure

December 12, 2010

Weekly Collection—\$11,100.00

Retirement Fund for Religious—\$3,403.00

December 8, 2010

Immaculate Conception—\$1,605.00





WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 19

Family Mass, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Social, Shepherds Hall, After All Masses

Monday, December 20

Knights of Columbus Christmas Social, 7:30 p.m.,
Shepherds Hall

Tuesday, December 21

Prayer Group, 9:45 a.m., Fr. Russell Room

Wednesday, December 22

Weight Watchers, 5:30 p.m., Shepherds Hall

Neighbor to Neighbor, 7:00 p.m., Fr. Peter Room

AA, 8:00, Fr. Russell Room

Thursday, December 23

Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Fr. Russell Room

7:30 p.m., Fr. Flynn Room

Preschool Pop-In, 10:00 a.m., Shepherds Hall



Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses

December 24

4:00 p.m., Chapel

4:00 p.m., Church

6:30 p.m., Church

12:00 Midnight, Church

December 25 (All Masses in Church)

8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

THE FIRST CRECHE

Early in his ministry, St. Francis of Assisi wanted to help people experience the miracle of the Nativity. So, he assembled a living Nativity scene—a crèche—with a live baby in a manger, townspeople dressed as Mary and Joseph, shepherds, wise men, and more.



The crèche remains a Christmas custom all over the world.

PARISH HAPPENINGS



WINTER DINNER DANCE

Friday, February 4, 2011

7:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m.

Primavera Regency in Stirling

Cocktail Hour—Open Bar

Dinner—Dancing

\$80 per person

For reservations, visit our website (www.olmwarren.org) to print out the form. For more information, contact Karen DeNave 908- 580-0323, or kadnave@optonline.net.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The sale of 2011 Entertainment Books ends December 31st.

Pricing this year is still \$30.00 for Central and North Jersey Editions. Other New Jersey and out-of-state books can be ordered (prices vary).



These books make great holiday gifts!

See any Knight after Masses, or call Gene Piszko (908) 604-8483.

SAVE THE DATE

COMING UP

How the Church Stole Christmas Back!

December 27th, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Come check out our youth ministry blowout Christmas party! All high school and middle school students are welcome.

ADORE the King Christmas Song Praisefest

Wednesday, December 29th, 7:30-9:30

In the Church

This event is open to everybody! We're going to pack the Church and belt out Christmas songs 'til we drop. We'll have a full band for this and tons of free food afterwards! Part II of the Christmas Party, really!!!!



For everyone's safety, we ask that you abide by the "no parking" signs located on both sides of the Church driveway. If your car is parked along the driveway, you may be ticketed.

Torino's Restaurant will be open Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Please do NOT use their parking lot when you come to Mass. This is private property and is for the use of Torino's customers only.

Parking is available in both the Church and Chapel lots, and next door in the Wells Fargo Building. There is a sidewalk from that parking lot, allowing easy access to the Church.

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP ACT

Catholic schools continue to provide an important educational option in New Jersey, and they are a needed resource for the mission of the church to educate students of all economic incomes. S-1872/A-2810 (Opportunity Scholarship Act) offers opportunities for parents who might be unable to send their children to a Catholic school or another nonpublic school in New Jersey. In a series of questions and answers on this legislation, the New Jersey Catholic Conference offers a response to misinformation that has been promulgated in many public forums.

Question:

Won't this bill only help a "lucky few"?

Answer:

This bill is a pilot program that will be evaluated. An increase in the number of students eligible under the current legislation could certainly be provided by future amendments. But the argument upon which this objection is based ("If we can't help all, we can't help any") would undermine any currently existing social program, educational or otherwise. For example, in attempts to provide low-income housing and other benefits to the poor in social programs, we do not criticize developers who can only provide 500 units of low-income housing when 2,000 are needed. Using the logic of opponents, we would not provide any of these low-income units unless all 2,000 were possible.

2010 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

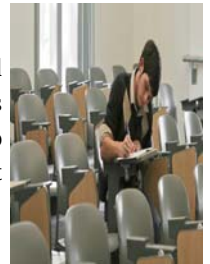
"Christ for One Another"

Thank you to the parish families who made a gift or pledge to the 2010 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift, please prayerfully consider doing so. Every gift makes a difference and every gift is appreciated.

UNION CATHOLIC SCHOLARSHIP EXAM

The Union Catholic High School Scholarship Exam for the Class of 2015 will be held on Saturday, January 8, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.. There is no make-up for this exam.

Over \$120,000 in scholarship monies will be awarded. The fee for this exam is \$25.00. To register for the Scholarship Exam, contact the Admissions Office at (908) 889-1600, ext. 328.



MARY'S DREAM

I had a dream, Joseph. I don't understand it, not really, but I think it was about a birthday celebration for our son. I think that was what it was all about. The people had been preparing for it for about six weeks. They had decorated the house and bought new clothes. They'd gone shopping many times and bought elaborate gifts.

It was peculiar, though, because the presents weren't for our son. They wrapped them in beautiful paper and tied them with lovely bows and stacked them under a

tree. Yes, a tree, Joseph, right in their house. They'd decorated the tree also. The branches were full of glowing balls and sparkling ornaments. There was a figure on the top of the tree. It looked like an angel might look. Oh, it was beautiful.

Everyone was laughing and happy. They were all excited about the gifts. They gave the gifts to each other, Joseph, not to our son.

I don't think they even knew him. They never mentioned his name. Doesn't it seem odd for people to go to all that trouble to celebrate someone's birthday if they don't know him? I had the strangest feeling that if our son had gone to this celebration he would have been intruding.

Everything was so beautiful, Joseph, and everyone so full of cheer, but it made me want to cry. How sad for Jesus—not to be wanted at his own birthday celebration. I'm glad it was only a dream. How terrible, Joseph, if it had been real.