



OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART

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Music Ministry:

Organists – Brian Dwyer, John Piazza

Saturday Choir Director – Joan Deltoro

Sunday 10:30 AM Choir Director – Peggy Pomeroy

Sunday Leaders of Song – Mary Lynn Milazzo,

Peggy Pomeroy, Keith Buterbaugh

Choir Practice: Every Thursday 6 PM – 7:30 PM

Rosary Altar Society: Martina Collins & Anne Swann
Meets Monday after the first Sunday, 8:15 PM

CYO Athletics: Mara Hauser

Mommy and Me: Brenda Boysa and Lisa Connolly
Every Thurs. 10 AM to Noon during the school year

Knights of Columbus: Joe Martin

St. Monica Prayer Group: Meets every Tues 7 PM
Oratory Chapel Eleanor Klepper 359-6864

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8 AM, 10:30 AM and 12 noon

Weekdays: Monday, 8:00 AM, 12:30 PM and 7:30 PM

Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 8:00 AM and 12:30 PM

Sat, 9:00 AM followed by Saturday Morning Rosary

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday, 4:30 PM and as announced.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism: First Sunday of the month, 1:30 PM

Preparation class: Third Tuesday of the month, 7:30 PM

Please call the rectory as early as possible to make arrangements, attend the preparation class and provide required paperwork, including Godparent sponsor sheet.

Sacrament of Matrimony

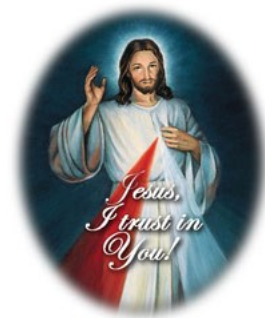
By appointment. Proper preparation is required. Please notify the priest at least three months in advance.

Novena

Miraculous Medal, Monday after Masses at 8:00 AM, 12:30 PM and 7:30 PM.

First Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9AM to 7PM, followed by Confessions, Holy Rosary and 7:30 PM Mass.



Divine Mercy Sunday
April 3, 2016

Masses of the Week

Saturday, April 2	
5:00 PM	Antoinette & Angelo Guastaferro/Annamaria Fromholz
Sunday, April 3 Divine Mercy Sunday	
8:00 AM	Paul Doctor/Frances DiCostanzo
10:30 AM	Billy Kayser
12 Noon	Richard J. Nelson/Prudencio Balagot
Monday, April 4: Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord	
8:00 AM	Frances DiCostanzo
12:30 PM	Richard Martin
7:30 PM	All Souls unattended in Purgatory
Tuesday, April 5 : Feast of St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest	
8:00 AM	Thomas Lynch
12:30 PM	Carmen Medina
Wednesday, April 6	
8:00 AM	Hugh Hughes
12:30 PM	Lois Holmes
Thursday, April 7: Feast of St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest	
8:00 AM	Hugh Hughes, 1st Anniversary
12:30 PM	Nelia Panza
Friday, April 8	
8:00 AM	Joe McGuinness
12:30 PM	Kathleen Donovan 5th Anniversary
Saturday, April 9	
9:00 AM	Frank & Elizabeth Brady
5:00 PM	Felicia Gerald
5:00 PM Chapel:	Eileen Neff
Sunday, April 10: Third Sunday of Easter	
8:00 AM	Dr. Thomas Doyle & Dr. George Ialomitza
10:30 AM	Lucille & John Zuccaro 60th Wedding Anniversary
10:30 Chapel	Francis Donnelly
12 Noon	Glenn Messner/Lillian Torres

From the Pastor:

Do you know about Saint Faustina? She is the Polish nun who God graced with revelations about his mercy. It is because of her life and witness and obedience and trust that we have the image of Divine Mercy – the rays of blood and water emanating from our Lord, Jesus Christ. And we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday one Sunday after Easter now because of Saint John Paul II knew how much we need to bask in His healing rays.

During her canonization Mass in 2000, Pope John Paul II said:

Today my joy is truly great in presenting the life and witness of Sr. Faustina Kowalska to the whole Church as a gift of God for our time. By divine Providence, the life of this humble daughter of Poland was completely linked with the history of the 20th century, the century we have just left behind. In fact, it was between the First and Second World Wars that Christ entrusted his message of mercy to her. Those who remember, who were witnesses and participants in the events of those years and the horrible sufferings they caused for millions of people, know well how necessary was the message of mercy.

Jesus told Sr. Faustina: "Humanity will not find peace until it turns trustfully to divine mercy." Through the work of the Polish religious, this message has become linked for ever to the 20th century, the last of the second millennium and the bridge to the third. It is not a new message but can be considered a gift of special enlightenment that helps us to relive the Gospel of Easter more intensely, to offer it as a ray of light to the men and women of our time.

What will the years ahead bring us? What will man's future on earth be like? We are not given to know. However, it is certain that in addition to new progress there will unfortunately be no lack of painful experiences. But the light of divine mercy, which the Lord in a way wished to return to the world through Sr. Faustina's charism, will illumine the way for the men and women of the third millennium.

Will we say yes to God's mercy today? Basking in its transformational power? So that we might be vessels of it in a world that needs it?

*With love and prayers,
Fr. Francis*

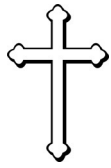
Upcoming Events

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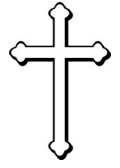
- ◇ **Second Collection: April 9/10:** This collection is for the Archdiocese for Military Services, USA. Your support of this national collection will bring the Gospel and the sacraments to the men and women who serve our country and defend our freedoms including parishioners and family members from our NY Archdiocese
- ◇ **Rosary Altar Society Meeting:** Mon. **April 4** after the 7:30 Mass
- ◇ **Additional Masses on Teaching Mass Weekends:** To better accommodate the numbers of parishioners attending Mass on the Teaching Mass weekends, and provide for a prayerful environment, there will now be additional Masses for adults in the Chapel at **5 PM on Sat. and 10:30 AM on Sun., on Teaching Mass weekends only. The Teaching Masses for April will be next weekend April 9-10**
- ◇ **Rosary Altar Society Military Bridge :** Friday evening , **April 15, 7 PM** in the Parish Hall. \$15. at the door. FMI: contact Kathy Conway conways05@aol.com or secretary@olshtappan.com
- ◇ **Pocketbook Bingo:** Save the date **May 25!** Last year's event was a huge, sold-out success so watch for more details and purchase your tickets EARLY!!!!!!
- ◇ **Annual Parish Golf Outing:** **Thursday June 2.** Plan to spend the day with friends, get some exercise and support OLSH!

Community:

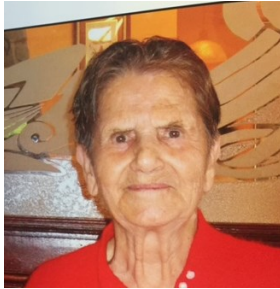
- ◇ **Scripture Class:** St. John The Baptist RC Church, Piermont. Spring is upon us and so is the start of the St. John's Scripture Class. In keeping with Pope Francis' Year of Mercy Holy Year theme, we have decided to study about *Mercy*. The study will consist of 12 lectures on DVDs entitled "Mercy: The Heart of Faith, the Reason for Hope." In this lecture course, we will explore God's gift of mercy. We will explore scriptural passage as well as look at the legacy in John Paul II's encyclical "Rich in Mercy," the legacy that Pope Francis carries on today. Among topics included are the following: *Where Has Mercy Gone?, What Kind of World Without Mercy, What Kind of World With Mercy, Christ: The Message and Cost of Mercy, and Eucharist: Food for Our Journey of Mercy.* Course presenter is Fr. Dan Crosby, OFM Cap, Saint Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit, Michigan. He served as Director of St. Anthony Retreat Center in Wisconsin. He has several Masters having studied at St. Paul's University, Ottawa and the Institute of Formative Spirituality at Duquesne University Pittsburgh. Please join us at Connolly Hall, The course is 12 weeks beginning on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 and continues each **Tuesday at 10am – 12pm** through June 14. The cost of the class is under \$20 and includes cost of the DVD's, duplication of a study guide and coffee. If you have any questions, please contact Johanna Krumm at [845-353-8910](tel:845-353-8910). We look forward to seeing you and please bring a friend.
- ◇ **Divine Mercy Sunday devotions:** **April 3, 9AM -4 PM** Marion Shrine, Stony Point. FMI and schedule: Kate Armstrong 845-548-6729
- ◇ **Life in the Spirit Seminar.** Come join St. Paul's (Congers) Fellowship of Hope Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group for six Monday nights beginning **April 4th at 7:45 PM, at St. Paul's School, Kings Highway, Valley Cottage (back building).** All the life, love, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, already within you, can also have a spring awakening. Join us in song, prayer, praise, witness and teaching talks, as well as faith sharing and fellowship. **Come see how the Holy Spirit will work in your life when you say, "Yes".** Think and pray about it. Questions? Call Joan at 845 268-6594
- ◇ **2016 Catholic Elementary Schools Open Houses:** Save the dates! The Catholic School Region of Rockland invites you to experience Catholic Schools in action by visiting one or more of our schools on the final TOURING TUESDAY: **Apr. 12**, from 9-11 AM. RSVP: 646-794-2885 www.boldfutures.org.
- ◇ **The Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt 16th Annual Hearts Afire Gala** on **Sunday, April 17th** at 1 PM at the View on the Hudson in Piermont, New York. This event benefits the Ministries and Members of the Blauvelt Dominican Congregation. To purchase an individual ticket, table, journal advertisement or learn more, contact Ms. J. Lickun via e-mail at jllickun@opblauvelt.org or by phone at 845-359-5767
- ◇ **Catholic Widows and Widowers Club of Rockland County:** Next meeting, Sun. **April 17, 6:30 PM** St. Augustine's Church. FMI: Dotty 623-1739
- ◇ **Tappan Senior Club Trip:** Ocean City, Maryland, May 18-20. Excursions will include Assateague Island to see wild ponies, Wallops Island Va, NASA Visitors' Center, a casino and a winery. FMI call Marilyn: 359-2836



Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family whose funerals were held in March



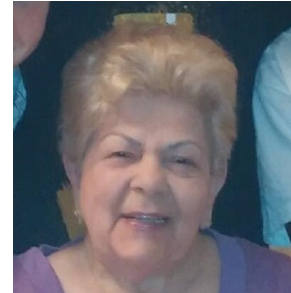
- † *Bernard O'Connor*
- † *Kathleen Murphy*



Luisa Taddeo



Colleen Vidal



Susan Niero

Rest in Peace

We encourage families of our departed loved ones to share a photo with us or ask the Funeral Director to do so, via email, so that they can be remembered to our parish family in the bulletin on the first Sunday of the next month



The 2016 Cardinal's Appeal is underway! Money collected from the Cardinal's Appeal will be used for six ministries of the archdiocese: Mission and Evangelization, Support for Needy Parishes, Department of Education and Parish Religious Education, Preparing the Clergy, Retired Priests and Religious, and Works of Charity. The overall Archdiocesan goal is \$20 million dollars.

At OLSH, the goal we have been assigned is \$ 75,500.

Summary to date : 3-24-16				
Goal	Pledged	Paid	Number of Gifts	Average gift
75,000	41,685	24,500	129	323.14



Couples from Our Lady of the Sacred Heart parish celebrating their **50th wedding anniversary** any time in 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sat. June 25 at 1:30 PM or Sun. June 26 at 2 PM.

Pre-registration is required and seating is limited Please contact Kathy at the rectory 359-1230 no later than May 15 to register.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart will also celebrate a **25th & 50th wedding anniversary** for our parishioners on **Sunday, June 19, 2016 at 10:30am**. Pre-registration is required. Please call the rectory no later than May 1st to register.



CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGION
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Catholic Elementary Schools Accepting Applications for the 2016-17 School Year

Happy Easter from the Catholic School Region of Rockland. Rockland Catholic elementary schools are accepting applications for September through a new online application process that allows families to apply directly to a school and learn about financial assistance opportunities for the 2016-17 school year. Prospective families interested in applying for grades Pre-K 3 to Grade 8 can apply and learn about scholarships and financial assistance eligibility in several ways:

Online at www.ApplyCatholicSchoolsNY.org By phone at 646-794-288 In person, at the school of interest

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Participating schools include:

Sacred Heart School (UPK, PreK-8)	60 Washington Avenue	Suffern
Saint Anthony School (PreK-8)	34 West Nyack Road	Nanuet
Saint Gregory Barbarigo (UPK, PreK-8)	29 Cinder Road	Garnerville
Saint Margaret School (PreK-8)	34 North Magnolia	Pearl River
Saint Paul School (UPK, PreK-8)	365 Kings Highway	Valley Cottage

To learn more about our faith-based Pre-K, Kindergarten or elementary school programs, plan a visit today or during TOURING TUESDAY, scheduled April 12, from 9-11 a.m. To speak with a Catholic Schools representative call 646-794-2885.

Prayer for the Sick

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. Father in heaven, grant those for whom we pray comfort. Give them courage when afraid, patience when afflicted, hope when dejected, and when alone assure them of the prayerful support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please join us in prayer this week for:

Marie Brady, Patrick Boyle, Mary Burns, Agnes Cacciola, Joseph Cammarata, Richard Carney, James Cody, Francis Conka Sr., Maria Conka, Austin DeGiorgio, Agnes DeJoia, Derek Delima, Baby Edward Dolan, Dennis Downing, Michael Doyle, John Duffy, Anna Evangelist, John Ferri, Sr., Rena Ferri, Sharon Foley, Shaun Green, Donald Higgins, Guen Incigeri, Robert Incognito, Daniel Keywork, Matthew Kozak, Eileen Kunkel, Grace Leon, Bernadette Lopez, Teresa Lynch, Catherine Mackenzie, Isabella Malick, Brother Robert McGovern, William McGuire, Liam McGuire, Patrick McKenna, Gerry McKeon, Kevin McSweeney, Dawn Mennillo, Daniella Murphy, Bill Orange, Iluminada Pagayunan, Toddler Christian Perez, Marie Piazza, Maeve Quinn, Gloria Santiago, Joseph Scanlon, Theresa Schrettner, Joseph Smith, Hunter Sterling (child), Dawn Taggart, Jim Thompson, William Urban, Mildred Vero, Jim Walsh, Anna Young



Family Fun Night Sign Up Form

Name: _____

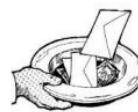
Adults @ \$5. ea. _____

Children @ \$1. ea _____

Dish you are bringing to share: _____

Please clip and return with your check to the RE office or rectory BEFORE the event.

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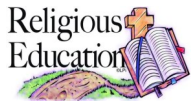


OLSH Weekly Collection

March 20, 2016 \$ 7582.

March 22, 2015 \$ 6465.

Thank you for your continued generosity. Envelopes provide an easy way to keep track of your annual charitable contributions. If you do not use weekly envelopes and would like to begin, please contact the rectory.



◇ **Absentee make-up class and Mass : April 7: 5:00—6:45 PM** Parish Hall

◇ **Family Fun Night: April 9 after 5:00 PM Mass: Reservations are required.** Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate walk-ins. You may either send in your reservation form and payment with your child to class this week or contact the RE office via email (re@olshtappan.com) to sign up . Forms were emailed to every family and may also be found on page 5 of this Bulletin. Every family is also asked to provide a half tray dish to share.

◇ **Monthly Teaching Masses for April: April 8/9**

◇ **Registration for 2016—2017 Religious Education:** You may register your children during RE class times or in the RE office Mon.-Thurs. 12:30—3:30 PM. Registration forms may also be handed in to your children’s current teachers. A late fee of \$50. applies beginning April 15.

◇ **Scholarships for Religious Education:** If tuition for this important program would be a financial burden that would prevent you from registering your children, please contact the RE office to discuss the options that are available.

The Religious Education Office is located in the Rectory. Office hours : 12 Noon-3, M-F



Freshen up your home for spring and support the Religious Education program by participating in the Yankee Candle Fundraiser! Brochures are available the back of the Church and the Chapel or in the rectory. All orders are due April 6.

Tabernacle Memorial Candles



Church: April 2-3

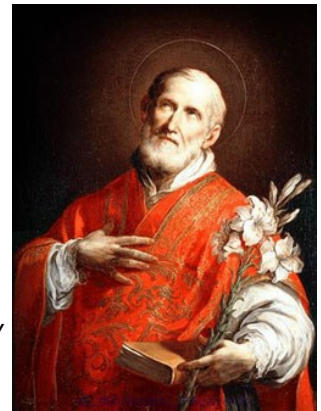
Susan Niero

Chapel: April 4-8

Shuyan Yang

Weekly quote from St. Philip Neri:

"When fathers have given their sons a good education, and put everything clearly and distinctly in train for them, the sons who succeed them, and continue to follow the road marked out for them, will have the advantage of seeing their family persevere in holy ways, and in the fear of God."



Liturgical Ministers for April 9-10

TIME	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
5:00 PM	H. Ricardo	C. Ricardo, K. & S. Zebiak	M. Dixon, B. Ehmsen, I. Kensicki
5:00 PM Chapel	J. Sullivan	M. Burke	
8:00 AM	J. Webster	G. Hughes, B. O'Donnell, S. Thalappillil	M. & M. Ruane, J. & M. Lovelace, C. Gordon
10:30 AM	C. Brower	A. Bianco, M. Gryzlo, J. Korn	S. Wiese, A. Kugelman, A. & V. Tomasello, M. Machado
10:30 AM Chapel	M. Stampone	F. Donnelly	
NOON	M. Recchia	E. Cahill, B. Ocasio, R. Wierer	A. & M. Clapp, C. Pniewski, K. Connolly