

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday February 5th Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM John McAlooney (Living)
requested by Judith McAlooney

9:00 AM Franciszek Modzelewski **Polish Mass**
requested by his Son and his Family.

10:30 AM Donald Montasano **Children's Choir**
requested by Mary Ann and Tom Terracino

12:00 PM Jack Claeys **Cantor**
requested by Paul and Helena Nowakowski

Monday February 6th

8:00 AM William and Mary Walters
requested by Father Fred

Tuesday February 7th

8:00 AM Mary Ann Ziliotto
requested by Don Ziliotto

Wednesday February 8th

8:00 AM People of the Parish

Thursday February 9th

8:00 AM George L. Olden
requested by Marjorie Grazecki

Friday February 10th

8:00 AM Bernard White
requested by OLQP Rosary Society

Saturday February 11th

8:00 AM Perpetual Mass Intentions

5:00 PM Thomas E. Williams **Cantor**
requested by Betsy and Dennis Roos

Sunday February 12th Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Linda Cerino
requested by Edwin J. Cerino

9:00 AM Joseph Bush **Polish Mass**
requested by Marie Bush

10:30 AM Ryan Dill **Adult Choir**
requested by McLaughlin and Harold Families

12:00 PM Mariola Durzynska **Cantor**
requested by A Friend

Intercession of St. Blaise which took place on Friday, and will be repeated after the Masses this weekend.

Unlike the United States, The feast of the Presentation of our Lord in the Temple marks the end of the Christmas season in Europe. The huge Christmas tree that adorns St. Peter's Square in Vatican City and those located in Church's throughout Europe are now removed. The Presentation in the Temple is a grand affair. There was a procession in honor of this great day when our Lord was brought into the Temple and candles were lit for the joyful celebration. The presentation takes place forty days after Christmas. In the Mosaic Law, a woman was ritually unclean for forty days after childbirth, when she was to present herself to the priests in the temple.

Simeon and Anna were waiting prayerfully and patiently for God's Son as they knew the one to come was special. Both Simeon and Anna lived a life of asceticism, with prayer and fasting in the forefront of their lives.

The devotion to St. Blaise who died in 316 is celebrated the next day after the Presentation. Blaise, who was a Bishop in Armenia, worked for the spiritual and physical help of the people. Although the Edict of Toleration in 311, which granted freedom to worship in the Roman Empire, was five years old when Blaise was martyred, persecutions continued to take place in Armenia. The story of his miraculous power recorded that as he was sent to prison for his faith and love of God, an appeal was made to him to cure someone who had a throat ailment, and through his intercession, the person was healed.

Even if someone would doubt the story of the miracle, the fact remains that Blaise believed in the Child Jesus and spent his life in prayer. He placed the importance of loving God above his own desires, and even his own life. Like Simeon and Anna, prayer, fasting, and good works were essential to his life and his relationship with God.

How willing are we to follow the will of God, and to place him above everything else? Are we willing to give up of our desires, and possessions? Are we willing to recognize our gifts from the Almighty like our throats and voice?

Factually, our voice and throats are gifts and should be cherished. The throat and voice, like other parts of our body, should be used for good, and not bad. We should do all we can to speak cleanly of the Lord, and never use the voice for vulgarities. The voice should be used for praise and thanksgiving, inviting all to share in the One Body of Christ. It should be the vehicle not to malign, or gossip about someone, but one of peacefulness.

The voice is also to be used to speak for Christ. Part of our mission is to bring the Word of God to others through evangelization efforts, protect the name of the Lord in the marketplace, and to use our voices to advocate for Him, and His Church.

As Jesus is presented in the Temple, may we open our hearts in prayerful anticipation of Him who came to save us from our sins, and show us the way to the Father. May we go to the Lord raising our voices in praise, adoration, and thanksgiving.

Jesus was
moved with pity

Readings for February 12th, 2012

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1
Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Father Michael's Desk



Presentation and the Gift of Our Voice

This past week marked two significant days in the Church. The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple last Thursday, and the Blessing of Throats through the

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 5th

Sunday CCD – 9:15 AM – Parish Center
RCIA – Children 10:30 AM and Adults 12:00 PM – Library
AA Meeting – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria
Al Anon – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

Monday, February 6th

Tiger Den – 6:30 PM – Cafeteria
Monday CCD – 7:00 PM – Parish Center

Tuesday, February 7th

Tuesday CCD – 4:30 PM – Parish Center
Adult Choir – 7:00 PM – Church
Troop 159 Committee – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

Wednesday, February 8th

Boy Scout Troop 159 – 7:00 PM – Gym
Women's Cornerstone – 7:30 PM - Gathering Space
Bereavement Support Group – 7:30 PM – Antioch Room
Knights of Columbus – 8:00 PM – K of C Hall

Thursday, February 9th

ABC Playgroup – 10:00 AM – Cafeteria
Children's Choir – 5:00 PM – Church
Wolf Den – 6:30 PM – Cafeteria
First Reconciliation – 6:30 PM – Church
Confirmation 1 – 7:00 PM – Antioch Room

Friday, February 10th

Webelos I – 6:30 PM - Cafeteria

Saturday, February 11th

AA – 2:00 PM – Parish Center, Room 3

Sunday, February 12th

Sunday CCD – 9:15 AM – Parish Center
RCIA – Adults 12:00 PM – Library
Baptisms – 2:00 PM – Church
Antioch – 6:30 PM – Antioch Room
AA Meeting – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria
Al Anon – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

ALTAR CLEANING
Week of February 5th
Team 12 – Carmen Ortega



Please remember in your prayers the following: Denise Armagno, Joann Barker, Scott Behrens, Rose Bellina, Helen Bowden, Julia Buske, Jaycee Cahill, Thomas Camp, Lee Charnock, Bridget Cirbes, Ann Cascillo, Lisa Czynewski, Mary Grace Daly, Nancy d'Angio Olson, Isaac Del Valle, Denise Farro, Ashley Ferraro, Francesco Galzano, Nancy Ann Gallo, Jim Gamble, Jr., Matthew Gangi, Madeline Grace Ricci Johnson, Pat Hajek, Ted Hajek, Sr., Stanley Holuba, Irene Hudak, Carole Jenkins, Kathleen Jobbagy, Emily Lavey, Jessie and Kristen Kearns, Eleanor Klein, Sandra Long, Joseph Mateus, Larry Mayo, Mary and Andre Mochon, John McAlooney, Matthew McCormick, Nadine McCormick, Father John Murray, Walter Murray, Bernard Owczarski, Karen Pegande, Luis Pacquing, Nina Roselli, Aldona Sachs, Christina Scienski, Molly Sheehan, Glynne Smith, Elvira Stiglin, Mary Strangia, Marge Starick, Kaylee Stillman, Maureen McSweeney, Anthony Terracino, Carol Vassallo, Loretta R. Victoria, Timothy Waples.

Please also pray for those who have gone before us and are now at rest: Margaret Adelchi.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Sunday Donations

Tithing:

January 29, 2012	\$9,366
January 30, 2011	\$9,644
Second Collection Next Sunday	Parish Maintenance

Flowers, Candles, Wine

Candle for Month of February
Flowers and Wine Weekend of February 11-12th
In Memory of Marie Smith
Donated by Neil and Arlene Vandenberg

SHOP-RITE and A&P GIFT CARDS

Week Ending January 29, 2012

Sold – \$3,140.00
Profit – \$157.00
Total Profit since July 1 – \$8,198.50

Deficit Reduction

This weekend is the **Deficit Reduction Envelope**. We ask for your continued participation, and support of your parish as we work to reduce our debt. Your generosity along with the matching gift from a donor has helped to reduce the debt below a half a million dollars.

Parish Maintenance

Next week we will have a second collection for the Maintenance of our buildings here at OLQP. You will find this envelope included in the envelope packet sent to your home. We have initiated this twice a year envelope as approved by the finance and advisory council to help offset some of the on going bills associated with the upkeep of our buildings and the many unexpected bills that have arisen lately. Just in the recent months we have had the removal of two decaying trees that had shed limbs and could cause a break in our roofs due to the proximity of the Church and rectory. Replacement of two small motors in the two boilers in the Church that were causing the lack of heat. We had to replace the stove and refrigerator in the convent, and the range in the rectory that were all beyond fixing. We also have begun a lock replacement program in the buildings. You may have read or heard on the television about a number of break-ins of churches. The new system replaces antiquated locks. This is just a partial list of maintenance items, and does not include the extensive losses due to the Hurricane last fall that did not have 100% coverage. As always, your help is greatly appreciated no matter how large or small. You have taken great pride and a stake in this parish and your generosity is always a blessing - Thank You!



Pantry Item for the week

Canned Fruit

Other items also needed: Pasta sauce, Tuna, Peanut butter, Children's Cereal



Special Reminders

CONFIRMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

Next Meeting Date:

Grade 9 Confirmation Class: Thursday, February 9th 7:00 PM

Grade 10 Antioch: Sunday, Feb. 12th 6:30 PM

Upcoming Service Opportunities

Feb. 19 K of C Pancake Breakfast

Feb. 25 Trip to NJ Food Bank by bus depart OLQP at 10:30 AM sharp, returning 3:00 PM.

Cost is \$5.00 including transportation and lunch. Permission slips and money due ASAP since there is a limit of how many we can take on that trip.

March 18 K of C Pancake Breakfast

April 7 Easter Egg Hunt

April 14 Senior Luncheon

We will be doing a **Living Stations of the Cross** on Palm Sunday and need volunteers for both speaking and non-speaking parts. Speak to Deacon Nick or Eileen, if interested.

Anyone interested in being part of the **Music Ministry** for the YAH Masses please let us know.

Antioch Team Meetings

2/12 4:30-6:30 PM

2/26 **CRUNCH SUNDAY** 12 noon sharp! Prepare to stay all afternoon, dinner together and YAH MASS at 6:30 with commissioning of team to take place at Mass.

Antioch Youth Room is open every Tuesday from 6-8 PM Safe, fun place to hang out with friends.



Palms to Ashes – Last Call

We are collecting Blessed Palms from last year to burn them making ashes to use for Ash Wednesday. Please bring them to church and deposit in the box marked for that purpose at the sacristy exit of the church.

Thank you!

Thank you to all who worked to make our first Volunteer Appreciation Party such a success. Nearly 100 of our volunteers attended a luncheon held in their honor.

A special thank you to Joey, Vito and Michael's Restaurant, Greenwood Lake Turnpike in Hewitt for the abundance of wonderfully prepared food at such a reasonable price.

God Bless,

Fr. Michael Rodak, Fr. Adam Muda and the Staff of Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish.

Thank You to Volunteers



Thank you to all our Volunteers who gathered for the first Volunteer Appreciation Party. Service to our parish is so very important, as the volunteers are the lifeblood to its success. We are truly grateful for their efforts as we shared a great dinner and entertainment.

Support our Youth

As we prepare for our Antioch Retreat in March, High School students will be seeking your assistance for a food collection for the weekend. Forms will be available from the students after Mass at the exits next weekend. We ask for your support for our young people.

Scouts Mass

Today at the 10:30 AM Mass, we honor those young Scouts who will receive special religious awards for completing workbooks. We will also offer a blessing to the Scouts, and their leaders who serve our parish and greater community.

Pro-Life Collection

Members of our Confirmation and Youth Groups will be selling the fabric lapel roses after Mass next weekend at the exits. This good will donation will be used to pay for Pro-Life activities, and help subsidize the costs for our young people to attend Pro-Life activities including the March for Life.

First Reconciliation

We pray for our young children and their families who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Thursday. This joyous occasion marks the continued spiritual growth of our young children.

Advisory and Master Plan Committees

As a reminder, our next meetings will take place in March.

Marriage is a Sacrament

We invite any engaged couple to prepare for your Marriage in the Church by speaking to any of the priests of the parish. We also invite couples to have a convalidation in the Church if you were married outside the Church.

Parish Website www.olqpnj.org

Check out our newly established website for upcoming events, current calendar (adjusted regularly for changes), contact info and much more.

The Encyclicals of John Paul: Foundations of Catholic Faith and Morality

You will find fliers at the doors today introducing a wonderful new book by Fr. Zbigniew Tyburski, a priest of the Diocese of Paterson, that is a Study in the Thought of John Paul II. The fliers include an order form and there will also be some copies of the book available at the Religious article store next week.



Coming Attractions for Lent

Lent is just weeks away (Ash Wednesday is February 22). Here are some highlights of events to look forward to.

Daily Mass 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM

Confessions Monday evenings, Saturday afternoons

Weekly Small Group Meetings – Prayer: God’s Gift to Us. Join a group to learn more about prayer and to share prayer with fellow companions on the journey of faith. Call Mary Beth at ext. 309 with questions or to sign-up. .

Lenten Morning of Reflection – Saturday, March 3, 8:45 AM – 12 noon, Sister Rosemary Napolitano, OSF leads us in reflection on Our Easter Salvation – “*The Gift of a Humble God.*” As we another Lenten season, we are challenged to expand our image of God to include those images that speak of a God who “bends down to embrace our frail humanity with its limitations and flaws. Resurrection empowers us to acknowledge who we are in the eyes of God and in the ongoing Mystery of salvation. Bring yourself in the “passion” of a loving God who calls each of us “the beloved.”

Busy Persons Retreat – Sunday-Sunday, March 18-25 Individuals committing to time of prayer and meeting with a spiritual director each day for a week, while working or attending college classes. The week begins and ends with shared time, introducing the format of the retreat on Sunday afternoon and the following Sunday reflecting on the experience. No matter where you are in your faith journey, this is an awesome opportunity to grow in your faith for those who can’t take time to go away for a retreat.

Gospel of Mark Presentation – Father Michael
Saturday mornings, 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM,
March 10: Introduction to the Gospel of Mark
March 24: The Passion According to Mark.

WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Ride Needed

A ride needed to Mass on Sunday from 1005 Union Valley Road. If you can help, please call Noel at 973-728-3267.

Divine Mercy Conference

SAVE THE DATE for the 7th annual Divine Mercy Conference in the Bronx, NY held on March 24, 2012 (9 AM – 5:30 PM). Speakers will be Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Father Groeschel, Scott Hahn, mother of Little Audrey (Linda Santo), Abby Johnson, and more. Make your reservation with the Diving Mercy Conference by calling 1-800-462-7426 or register on line at www.thedivinemercy.org/bronx.

Perpetual Mass Intentions for January

In Memory of:	Donated by:
Herbert Albert (D)	Marie Laky
Elizabeth Ambrose (D)	Pat & Mike Perry
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Marie Ragonese (D)	The Turek Family
Linda Susan Troise (D)	Paulette Sheridan and Stuart Granitz



Now that the words are beginning to become more familiar to us, we look again at the richness behind the words we pray.

The Gloria, cont.

The *Gloria* presents a richer reference to the fact that the Messiah’s coming brings the world a higher order of divine peace that only the incarnate Son of God can bestow. Those who live in accordance with God’s will and receive His grace shall experience the fullness of this peace.

Turning to the second sentence of the new *Gloria*, we notice something striking – the text of the hymn offers five successive ways in which we should pay homage to God: “We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.” In a general sense, it is true that these all convey the same idea of worshiping God. But liturgical prayer is enhanced by poetic repetition, and these five descriptions of worship do hold subtle distinctions. Together, they combine to express the extent to which it is our Christian duty to give “glory to God.”