Our Lady of Victories Church

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SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:00pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions First Saturday: 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary **First Saturday:** 12:00pm Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday St. Jude and St. Anthony: Wednesday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month St Peregrine: First Friday of the Month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & 12Noon Mass. Tuesday-Novena Prayer and Adoration: 2:00-3:00pm

Thursday-Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction: 7:00pm

Friday-Exposition & Adoration: 12:30PM-3:00pm

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/CONFESSION:

Monday - Friday 7:30am –7:50am. First Friday at 6:30pm Saturday at 11:00a.m.-Noon; 3:00pm –3:30pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, call the rectory.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the rectory for an appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES:

Sick calls at any time in emergency.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973.497.4365.

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SUNDAY, November 12, 2017 A.D.



WELCOME

To the Parish Family of **OUR LADY OF VICTORIES** (THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm, 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 8:15am (Latin)

9:30am, 10:45am, 12:00pm,

1:00pm (Spanish)

6:00pm & 7:00pm

Our Lady of Victories, Harrington Park/River Vale N.J.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please *PRAY* in the name of *JESUS*, the Healer, that the *SICK* of *OLV PARISH* may be restored to health and all those who *ASSIST* and *CARE* for the sick will be given the *STRENGTH* to continue *GOD'S GOOD WILL*: William Biasi, Joey Bulger, Rich Ferrara, Kathy Freeburn, Marietta Flahive, Gloria Genovese, Marylou Goreb, Thomas Haring, Peter Kellar, Arnold Kemner, Lisa LoSchiavo, Joseph LoVecchio, Anne Matthaei, Canice Prince, Dan Ragusa, Mary Rinner, Suzanne Rothschild, Wendy Ruggiero, George Rush, Kathryn Turrell, Therese Vaglio, Jim Walsh, Mary Younghans.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON PRAYER GROUP

Every Tuesday afternoon from 2:00PM-3:00PM we have a group who are praying a **Marian Novena Rosary** in Church in front of the Blessed Sacrament. **ALL ARE WELCOME**.

Knights of Columbus

All men over 18 are invited to join the OLV Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. For more information or to join, please contact Greg Evanella 201-784-5752.

PLEASE BE CAREFUL

With such a large number of people attending our parish church we need to be careful in the parking lots. On Sunday mornings children run to and from CCD, elderly people walk to and from the church, and some individuals unnecessarily speed in the parking lot. In the past we've had a number of fender benders. So please be careful in the parking lot.

BABIES IN THE WOMB FEEL PAIN

LifeNet is working to end abortion at 20 weeks as babies in the womb experience pain during their abortion. So far 17 states have passed laws protecting pain capable babies. In New Jersey LifeNet's project 20/20 is to protect at 20 weeks post fertilization by the year 2020. For more information on this project or how you can help contact LifeNet at 171 Clinton Avenue Newark or 973-497-4500 or www.lifeneteducation.org.

ADORATION

Just a reminder we have Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 12:30—3:00PM, Thursday night from 7:00—8:00PM, and Fridays from 12:30—3:00PM. **So stop by and adore Our Eucharistic Lord.**

NATIONAL PROLIFE ALLIANCE

Join the National ProLife Alliance to get a copy of LifeLine and get information where one can write to end American's Holocaust. 5211 Port Royal Road, Suite 500 Springfield Virginia 22151 or www.prolifealliance.com.

MOMS POPS & TOTS

MOM, POPS and TOTS is a playgroup for infants and children ages 1-5. Grandma, Grandpa, Au Pair and babysitters are welcome. All caregivers must remain with their children. There is no cost to attend. The group meets every Wednesday 9:30-11:30AM in the lower church.

ADVERSITY

There are no calamities that do not work for your blessing when your heart is directed toward Me. When you do not strive against adversity, its power to hurt you is destroyed. Circumstances may be such that the flesh may suffer, but the spirit will be blessed. My voice speaks through EVERY situation to the ear that is yielded to the Spirit. My love flows freely through every sorrow to the heart that is devoted to Me. I cannot fail. I will not fail anyone – and ever, so long as that one is resting and trusting in My goodness. Evils pass as ships in the night when peace reigns in the surrendered soul. Leave with Me every unsolved problem. Praise Me, and rejoice while I work it all out for My glory.

THURSDAY HOLY HOUR

Every Thursday at 7PM OLV has a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, prayers and quiet time. Stop by and join us and make a visit to our Eucharistic Lord.

OLV Boys & Girls Needed

Our Lady of Victories has a basketball program for you. Practices begin soon, and the games begin in December. All Boys and Girls from grades Kindergarten to 8th grade who would like to play basketball or would like more info' please contact John or KerryAnn Flahive at 201-750-2214.

Christopher Lee on the Occult: "I Warn All of You: Never, Never, Never"

Prolific actor Christopher Lee recently passed away at the age of 93. His acting career spanned eight decades (his first film acting job was in 1947), and included important roles in both the Lord of the Rings trilogy and the Star Wars prequels. Apparently, there had been a rumor that he was involved in the occult and personally had a 20,000 volume library dedicated to it. In 2011, during the Q&A after giving a speech at University College Dublin, he set the record straight.

He said he had never been involved in the occult and warned anyone else of ever getting involved: "I have met people who claimed to be Satanists, who claimed to be involved with black magic, who claimed that they not only knew a lot about it... But as I said, I certainly haven't been involved and I warn all of you: never, never, never. You will not only lose your mind, you lose your soul".

SAVE USED EYEGLASSES

The Knights of Columbus collects used and old eyeglasses for the less fortunate. Any old or "retired" glasses may be left in the atrium

WISE WOMEN

A senior citizen drove her brand new BMW Z4 convertible out of the car salesroom. Taking off down the highway, she floored it to 120 mph, enjoying the wind blowing through her fine white hair. "Amazing!" she thought as she flew down Hwy, 401. She enjoyed pushing the pedal to the metal even more. Looking in her rear view mirror, she saw a police car behind her, blue lights flashing and siren blaring. "I can get away from him - no problem!" thought the elderly woman as she floored it to 140 mph, then 150 and then 160. Suddenly, she thought, "What on earth am I doing? I'm too old for this nonsense!" So she pulled over to the side of the road and waited for the police car to catch up with her. Pulling in behind her, the lady police officer walked up the driver's side of the BMW, looked at her watch and said, "Ma'am, my shift ends in 10 minutes. Today is Friday and I'm taking off for the weekend. If you give me a reason why you were speeding, one that I've never heard before, I'll let you go. The elderly lady looked very seriously at the policewoman and replied, "Years ago my husband ran off with a policewoman. I thought you were bringing him back." "Have a good day, Lady," said the policewoman.

GENTLENESS

Be obedient to My commands: so shall I bless you. Let Me guide you: thus shall you know the right path. Follow always the call of the Holy Spirit. All who listen shall hear. Move with the flexibility of a yielded will. Mercies are laid up in store for the humble. Gentleness of spirit brings overcoming power. It is not the strong will, but the YIELDED will that is blessed in My sight.

Do you know why a car's WINDSHIELD is so large and the rear view mirror is so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, look ahead and move on.

Upcoming OLV Parish Events

Nov 14 -Tue-Marian Novena Prayer 2:00-3:00PM

Nov 14 - Tue - Social Concerns 7:00PM

Nov 15 -Wed-Moms, Pops and Tots 9:30-11:30AM

Nov 15 —Wed—Bible Study Group—10:00AM

Nov 15 - Wed-OLV Needlers 6:30PM

Nov 16 -Thu-Rosary Society 12:00PM Mass/Mtg & 6:30PM Mtg/Holy Hour

Nov 17 -Fri- Adoration from 12:30PM-3:00PM

Nov 18 - Sat—Confessions 11:00-12:00Noon & 3:00-3:25PM

Nov 18 -Sat—AA - lower Church 6:30-8:30PM

Nov 18/19-Sat/Sun-CDA Christmas Bazaar

Nov 19—Sun – Frozen Turkey Collection

PRAY for THOSE in the MILITARY

Private First Class Matthew Brady, U.S. Marine Corps; Lieutenant Julia H. Cheringal, US Navy; Lieutenant Ben Clemente, US Army; Ensign Jon Clemente, US Navy; 1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo, U.S. Marine Corps; Specialist Peter Dippolito, U.S. Army; Major Michael Franson, US Army; Sergeant First Class Charles Greene, US Army; Lieutenant Tara Harris, US Air Force; Lance Corporal Thomas lafrate, U.S. Marine Corps; Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger, US Navy; Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger, US Navy; Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn, US Air Force; Captain Shawn Linn, US Army; SN Daniel T. LoVecchio, U.S. Navy; Colonel John McLaughlin, US Army; Lieutenant John G. Miele, US Army.

OLV Scripture STUDY

The OLV Scripture Study Group meets on Wednesdays at 10:00a.m. in the Lower Church conference room. All are welcome to join us.

CALLING ALL SENIOR CITIZENS

Please join us! Immaculate Heart Academy Annual Senior Citizen free Thanksgiving dinner - Monday, November 20, 5-7PM in the IHA cafeteria. RSVP to IHA 201-445-6800 or sshutrop@ihanj.com

FORMER CATHOLICS

Know of any former Catholics or Catholics who no longer come to Mass, have them check out this website- **CatholicsComeHome.org**

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

Stop in and visit Jesus in the Tabernacle. You can do it here at OLV Parish. Our Church is open 7am-4:30pm (M-F).

CONFESSION/RECONCILATION

Our Lord told St. Margaret Mary Alacoque that individuals should go to confession <u>at a minimum once a month</u>. This sacrament is offered EVERY Saturday from 11:00AM to Noon and 3:00-3:30PM, every morning at 7:30AM, as well as every First Friday at 6:30PM. A Priest is also available to hear Confessions daily by appointment.

DO YOU KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT YOUR FAITH

IF NOT, visit our bookrack and check out the vast selection of books, booklets, and pamphlets. It is always is a great time to read and become closer to God. Learn more about your faith, the Saints, Mary, Jesus, or pick up one of the inspirational books in stock. Check out some of our new and interesting titles. Don't have time to read? Listen to a CD in the car since we also have a wide variety of them.

Bereavement Group

OLV will be hosting a six week bereavement group on Wednesday evenings—limited to the first seven individuals who register at the rectory. Call Maria ASAP 768-1706.

THANKSGIVING FOOD & TURKEY DRIVE

OLV will be having a month-long canned food/imperishable food drive to help area food banks and help the less fortunate. We will also be hosting a one day frozen Turkey Drive this Sunday, November 19. <u>Frozen</u> turkeys must be delivered here to OLV Church by 12:30PM on the 19th.

OLV Social Concerns

OLV Social Concerns meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM in the lower church. The next meeting is this Tuesday, November 14th. **New members are welcome!!**

OLV Rosary Society

The Rosary Society will have its monthly meeting this Thursday, November 16. Mass at 12:00Noon in the Church, recitation of the Rosary, followed by a short meeting and socialization. For those women who are not free to come during the day, we will meet again that evening at 6:30PM and attend the 7:00PM Holy Hour. All women of the parish are welcome to join us in honoring our Blessed Mother in this way. For info contact Lorraine Petrone at 201-664-8813.

Andrea Bocelli, Facebook

He's sold more than 80 million albums worldwide, so there's a good chance you've heard Andrea Bocelli's incredible operatic singing voice before. But did you know he's a practicing Catholic. And he recently opened up about a spiritually impactful visit to the Holy Land. "[A]s a man of faith, a Christian, a practicing Catholic," he explained on Facebook, "when I was in Jordan I felt the need to express my devotion, praying at the site where our Lord Jesus was baptised..." He went on to say that "the air is filled with sacredness and the water flows with spirituality and prayer," and the whole site preserves "the memory of an old but still relevant encounter that has changed the history of mankind and the world."

Teaching Charity

A little girl asked her mother for a dollar to give to an old lady in the park. Her mother was touched by the child's kindness, and gave her the required sum. "There you are, my dear," said the mother. "But, tell me, isn't the lady able to work any more?" "Oh yes," came the reply. "She sells candy."

CCD Corner

A great "thank you" and shout out goes out to Mr. Wiesner and Mr. Perricelli's 7th grade classes for a job well done in serving as liturgical and hospitality ministers at last week's 10:45 Mass! It is great seeing the youth of our parish leading us in word and example! This past week our students reflected on the lives of the saints and the souls in Purgatory as we celebrated All Saints and All Souls' Days. During each week in November, Mr. Evanella's 5th Grade students will be offering up something that each has consciously and deliberately offered to God for a soul in Purgatory that week. At the end of the month on the Feast of Christ the King, their written offerings will be placed on the altar during the Sunday masses as a spiritual bouquet for the souls in Purgatory.

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

St. Teresa of Avila's Demonic Experience that Proved the Power of Holy Water

St. Teresa of Avila is one of the greatest saints in the history of the Church. A 16th century nun, mystic, and Doctor of the Church, you may have seen her famous quote about the power of holy water before: "From long experience I have learned that there is nothing like holy water to put devils to flight."

What isn't as well-known are the experiences that led her to that conclusion, which she describes in her autobiography. In Chapter 31, she tells of a time that she was harassed by a demon: "Out of his body there seemed to be coming a great flame, which was intensely bright and cast no shadow. He told me in a horrible way that I had indeed escaped out of his hands but he would get hold of me still." Frightened, she tried to shoo him away with the Sign of the Cross. The demon left her, but soon returned. This happened several times, until she noticed she had some holy water nearby. "So I flung some in the direction of the apparition," she wrote, "and it never came back."

Another time, she wrote, "the devil was with me for five hours, torturing me with such terrible pains and both inward and outward disquiet that I do not believe I could have endured them any longer. The sisters who were with me were frightened to death and had no more idea of what to do for me than I had of how to help myself." She only found relief after she requested holy water and threw some to the place where she saw a demon nearby.

It's in her explanation of all of this that the famous quote comes in. "From long experience I have learned that there is nothing like holy water to put devils to flight and prevent them from coming back again. They also flee from the Cross, but return; so holy water must have great virtue."

She continues: "For my own part, whenever I take it, my soul feels a particular and most notable consolation. In fact, it is quite usual for me to be conscious of a refreshment which I cannot possibly describe, resembling an inward joy which comforts my whole soul.

"This is not fancy, or something which has happened to me only once: it has happened again and again and I have observed it most attentively. It is, let us say, as if someone very hot and thirsty were to drink from a jug of cold water: he would feel the refreshment throughout his body. I often reflect on the great importance of everything ordained by the Church and it makes me very happy to find that those words of the Church are so powerful that they impart their power to the water and make it so very different from water which has not been blessed."

She goes on to share many other stories of the power of holy water in the rest of the chapter.

St. Teresa of Avila, please pray for us!

WEDDING

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?" Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life." The child thought about this for a moment then said, "So why is the groom wearing black?"

THE LOVE OF GOD

No matter how long it has been, the Love of God knows no time. We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday at 11:00AM until 11:50AM and from 3:00PM-3:20PM. Monday-Saturday at 7:25AM-7:50AM.

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 13 - St. Frances Cabrini, Italy - Nun

8:00 George Lyddon—29th Anniv. R/b Stephen and Robin Hartman 12:00 Dorothy Cascone - 1st Anniv. R/b Donna and James Steindl

Tuesday, November 14 - St. Sidonius of Ireland - Abbot

8:00 Elizabeth Coyle R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich 12:00 Jerry Clark R/b Joan Crowley

Wednesday, Nov. 15–St. Albert the Great, Germany-bishop-doctor 8:00 Angelo Ferrara R/b Richard and Maureen Ferrara 12:00 Intentions of Nellie Burruano R/b Family

Thursday, November 16–St. Margaret of Hungary, Queen of Scotland; St. Gertrude-Patroness of the West Indies

8:00 Theresa H. Sinacori-1st Anniv. R/b Scott and Barbara Anzalone 12:00 Living and deceased members of Rosary Society

Friday, November 17-St. Elizabeth, Queen of Hungary-Nun

8:00 Andrew Ross Salerno R/b the Younghans Family 12:00 Intentions of Althea Corsie R/b Joan Crowley

Saturday, November 18-Dedication of the Churches of Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Duchesne-Virgin

8:00 In thanksgiving R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich
12:00 Mateo Bermudez R/b Ben and Charlene del Grande
4:00 Mario Gobbetti R/b Lorraine Gobbetti

5:00 Jerry and Hilda Michaels

R/b Marie Michaels and Josephine J. Fogarino

Sunday, November 19-St. Mathilda of Germany - Nun

7:30 Roxanne Fanelli R/b Pat and Bev Borzone
8:15 Anna Smyth R/b Sr. Elizabeth
9:30 George Erstling R/b Don Ulisse
10:45 Mary Heffernan R/b John and Eileen McAdams
12:00 Joseph Lamendola R/b Jinnie Moran

1:00 People of the Parish 6:00 Robert Opperman

7:00 Lenny Campanello

R/b Joe Tobia

SANCTUARY MEMORIALS

<u>The Church Sanctuary Lamp</u> burns for the repose of the soul of John D. Kaberle, Jr., r/b Ria and Tom Ragusa.

<u>The Convent Sanctuary Lamp</u> burns for the **souls in Purgatory.**<u>The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp</u> burns this week in **thanksgiving to St. Raphael**, r/b Debbie Quinn.

<u>The St. Joseph Votive Lamp</u> burns this week for a special intention, r/b the Werner Family.

The Infant of Prague Votive Lamp burns this week for the unemployed.

The Pope John Paul II Votive Lamp burns this week for an increase in religious vocations.

The St. Peregrine Votive Lamp burns this week for the intentions of Carla, Clare, Debbie, Jim, Margoth, and Rich.

<u>The Altar Flowers</u> have been donated in memory of Patricia Rube, r/b Ria and Tom Ragusa.

TO LIVE THE HOLY GOSPEL

This is the Rule and life of the Friars Minor, namely to observe the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, living in obedience, without property and in chastity.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1. St. Thomas More. 2. St. Ann. 3. St. Monica.

4. Mary, as the Immaculate Conception. 5. St. Matthew.

-5- November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory.

Priest Exorcises Las Vegas Shooter's Hotel Room With Holy Water After Feeling Evil Presence

The Las Vegas shooting on October 1st, 2017 was the deadliest shooting in modern American history, leaving 58 people dead and over 500 people injured. About two weeks later, Fr. Clete Kiley from Chicago arrived in Las Vegas with a group meant to help and comfort the traumatized staff of the Mandalay Bay Hotel, from where the killer had opened fire on the concert crowd outside.

He had just finished leading prayer with several hundred members of the hotel staff when the hotel manager approached him. She explained that the shooter's room had just been released back to the hotel by the FBI, and she wanted him to perform a blessing in the space. As soon as he set foot in the hallway of the 32nd floor where the room was, he says he immediately felt a dark spiritual presence.

"I felt like I was being pushed back, like 'don't come in here," he told Newsweek. But he pushed on anyway: "On the inside, I'm going, 'Oh no, you have to go." So he started praying the Prayer to St. Michael. "When I stepped in the room, I really felt a real profound silence," he later explained. "I immediately noticed the broken windows covered from outside. It was very powerful to see the physical damage." He could sense an evil presence in the room, so he used a palm branch to disperse Holy Water while praying to the Holy Spirit.

Right away, he could feel a sense of comfort and relief. When he returned back downstairs, the hotel staff was also relieved that a Catholic priest had blessed the room. "You could see people go, 'Thank God, that's good," he said. "I really saw the whole thing as part of a healing process. A small part of a healing process."

But even amidst the evil, there have been stories of heroism and hope. At least one survivor says the harrowing experience has turned him from being an agnostic to a believer in God. "I was agnostic going into that concert," Taylor Benge shared on CNN, "and I'm a firm believer in God now because there's no way that, you know, all that happened and that I made it, and I was blessed enough to still be here alive talking to you today." It seems that his sister's heroism and love during the attack had an deep effect on him. "My sister and I we started running to the left and every time they shot we took cover. [...] My sister, being as noble as she is, she actually threw herself on top of me and was saying, 'I love you Taylor, I love you.' And I'll never forget that." The Christian tradition teaches us that even in the midst of terrible evil, God is present and can bring good out of it.

Meat, Meat and More Meat

The teacher in our Bible class asked a woman to read from the Book of Numbers about the Israelites wandering in the desert. "The Lord heard you when you wailed, 'If only we had meat to eat!' " she began. "Now the Lord will give you meat. You will not eat it for just one day, or two days, or five, or ten or twenty days, but for a month -- until you loathe it." When the woman finished, she paused, looked up and said, "Hey, isn't that the Atkins diet?"

Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Advent

St. Andrew's Parish in Westwood will be running Dr. Brant Pitre's DVD series entitled "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Advent" on Thursdays, Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and Friday, Dec. 15 at 1:00 PM in the Parish Center. In this series, Dr. Brant Pitre shows how a deeper understanding of the ancient Jewish prophecies of the Messiah can help unlock the hidden meanings of the season of Advent. Register: 201-666-5697.

Autumn leaves - Jesus doesn't.

Reminder: Catholics Should NOT Venerate These Angels

September 29th was the Feast of the Archangels, a day when Catholics are called to remember and venerate these special creatures used by God in salvation history. But Catholics should beware: there are only three angels we should venerate by name. Any other names of angels you've heard – such as Uriel, Chamuel, Zadkiel, or others – should not be used.

Here's why:

First off, notice that the official name of the Feast of the Archangels is "Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels." Notice that only three names are listed. Though there are certainly many more angels than these three, these are the only angels that are named in the Bible. Michael is mentioned in Daniel, Jude, and Revelation and is the leader of the Lord's angelic armies. Gabriel is mentioned in Daniel and Luke and is the angel who announced to Mary that she would conceive Jesus by the Holy Spirit. Rafael is the name of the angel in Tobit.

All other names of angels you may have heard come from non-canonical books or legends, and these names should not be used. This issue was actually taken up many centuries ago by a local council in Rome in A.D. 745, led by Pope St. Zachary. The council was responding to a priest in Germany who was spreading a prayer to 8 angels, 7 of which are not mentioned in the Bible. The council condemned the prayer as sacrilegious, said that the 7 non-biblical names were of demons, and declared that the only angelic names Christian should use are the three in the Bible.

Aside from another local council that took place 40 years later and basically reaffirmed the teachings of the Roman council, the Church has had little to say on the matter – until recently. Unfortunately, various New Age and occult movements have revived the use of these other angelic names. So in 2002, the Congregation for Divine Worship issued a new Directory of Public Piety which stated "the practice of giving particular names to angels, with the exception of Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, is to be disapproved of." Venerating angels as God's good servants is a good and holy Catholic practice – but stick with Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Rafael. Holy Archangels, please lead us closer to Jesus!

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic, Family, Fraternal, Service Organization and is the largest Fraternal Organization in the world with a total membership of 1.8 million members and over 64,000 members in New Jersey. From the moment of their founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. All men over 18 are invited to join the OLV parish Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. Upcoming events include paintball expedition, skeet-shooting and golf outing. For info, call Greg Evanella 201-784-5752.

SPANISH MASS

The Spanish Mass is celebrated on Sunday at 1:00PM.

KIDZ KORNER

- 1. Who is the patron saint of Lawyers?
- 2. Who is the patron Saint of Housewives?
- 3. Who is the patron Saint of Mothers?
- 4. Who is the patron Saint of the United States?
- 5. Who is the patron Saint of Accountants?

 Answers on page four.

Friendship is like a BOOK.
It takes few seconds to burn, but it takes years to write.