

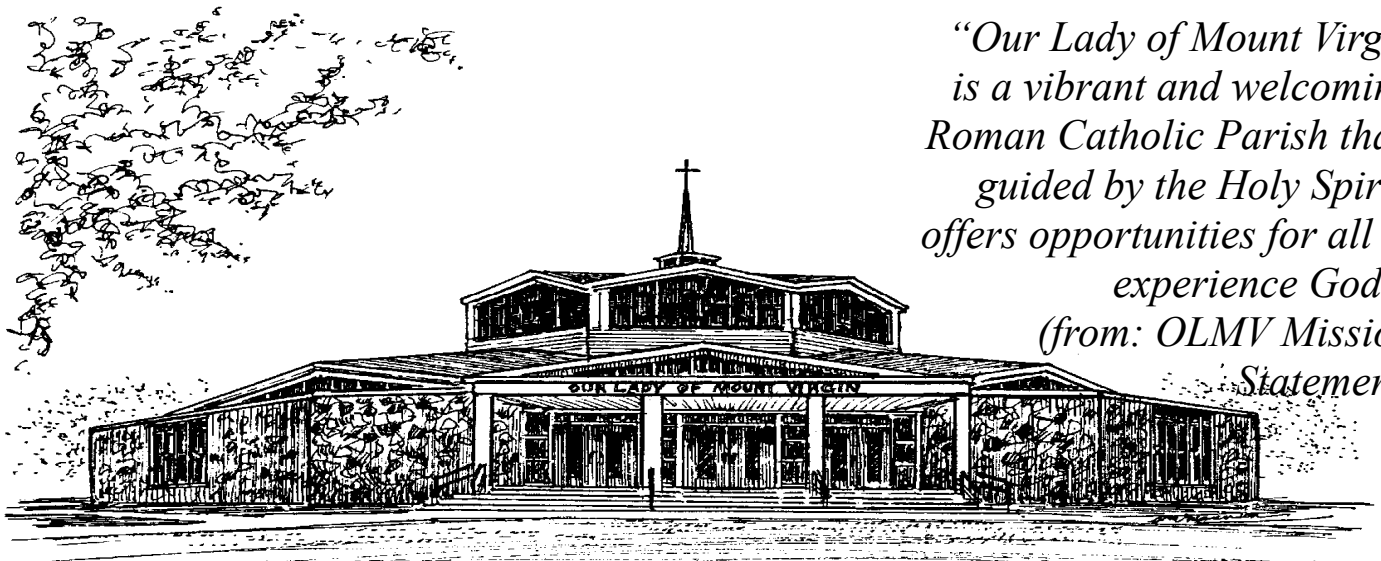
# Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church

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April 20, 2014

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*"Our Lady of Mount Virgin  
is a vibrant and welcoming  
Roman Catholic Parish that,  
guided by the Holy Spirit,  
offers opportunities for all to  
experience God."  
(from: OLMV Mission  
Statement)*



## MASS SCHEDULE:

**Saturdays:** 8:00 a.m. &

5:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil Mass)

**Sundays:** 8:00, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

1:30 p.m. (Misa en Español)

**Weekdays:** 7:00 a.m. (M, W, F)

12:00 Noon (Tu, Th)

**Holy Days:** 7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

7:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

## ADORATION:

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday after the Morning  
Mass – until 12:00noon

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturday from 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.  
and by appointment

## MARRIAGES:

Please contact the Parish Office  
at least one year in advance.

## INFANT BAPTISMS:

The Sacrament of Baptism is  
celebrated after the 11:30am  
Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday of each Month. Parents  
must be registered and active  
members of the parish, and  
must attend a Baptismal  
Preparation Class. Please  
contact the Parish Office for  
further information.

## VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND:

Eucharistic Ministers are pleased to  
bring Holy Communion to the  
homebound. Please contact the Parish  
Office to arrange for the Sacrament of  
the Anointing of the Sick or for a  
pastoral visit.

## APPLICATION:

New members are welcome at  
OLMV Parish and must complete an  
application form and interview  
process. Forms are available at the  
parish office.

Rectory Emergency  
732-667-8034

Fax  
732-356-1302

Religious Education  
732-356-2149 ext. 2010

Adult Faith Formation  
732-609-1091

# EASTER SUNDAY

April 20, 2014



When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

-Colossians 3:4

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>MON.,</b> 9:00	<b>April 21<sup>st</sup></b> A.M.	<b>Weekday</b> Parishioners
<b>TUES.,</b> 12:00	<b>April 22<sup>nd</sup></b> P.M.	<b>Weekday</b> Cynthia Ellis r/o Mother & Sister
<b>WED.,</b> 9:00	<b>April 23<sup>rd</sup></b> A.M.	<b>Weekday</b> Giuseppe LaMicela r/o Enrico Tripoli & Family
<b>THURS.,</b> 12:00	<b>April 24<sup>th</sup></b> P.M.	<b>Weekday</b> Theresa Zabawsky r/o OLMV Altar Rosary Society
<b>FRI.,</b> 9:00	<b>April 25<sup>th</sup></b> A.M.	<b>Weekday</b> Richard Zakashefski r/o Palir Family
<b>SAT.,</b> 8:00	<b>April 26<sup>th</sup></b> A.M.	<b>Saturday within the Octave of Easter</b> Joseph Borin r/o John & Arlene Hanna
	5:00	P.M. Jan Muduec r/o Joe & Helena Urbanik
<b>SUN.,</b> 8:00	<b>April 27<sup>th</sup></b> A.M.	<b>Sunday of Divine Mercy</b> Deceased of the Stepien & Flesher Families r/o Robert & Carol Stepien
	10:00	A.M. Tom Mendelson r/o Natalie Guibleo
	11:30	P..M. Adam & Antoinette Battaglia r/o Daughter
	1:30	P.M. Por todos los niños del mundo

### SPECIAL WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

for Monday, April 21 – Friday, April 25

There will be only one Mass celebrated each day:

**Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 9:00 A.M.,**

**Tuesday & Thursday at 12:00 noon.**



Memorials  
**Week of April 20—27**

**Altar Candles**

Roman Slusarz r/o Wife, Florence & Children

**Altar Bread & Wine**

Jesus & Blessed Mother r/o The Assante Family

**THANK YOU** also to all who sent in Easter Flower donations. Envelopes are placed by the tabernacle, and loved ones are remembered at Masses during the Easter Season.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK...**In your charity please pray for the sick of our parish, the sick who remain in our intentions and those whose names are kept on our prayer list in the sacristy and vestibule.



**EASTER PEOPLE**

Do not abandon yourself to despair.  
We are the Easter people  
and ALLELUIA is our song.

### TODAY'S READING'S:

**First Reading**— Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34—43)

**Psalm**— This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118)

**Second Reading**— Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6—8)

**Gospel**— Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1—9)

### THANK YOU – MIDDLESEX FUNERAL HOME:

Thank you, *Middlesex Funeral Home* and *Daniel Erickson, Manager*, for the generous donation of \$5,000.00 to our Major Renovations fund. This donation has been presented to assist with the cost of our recent renovation of the Church sound system. Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish has enjoyed a wonderful professional relationship with Middlesex Funeral Home for many years, and has often benefitted from Middlesex Funeral Home's generosity to our parish. Middlesex Funeral Home has always served the members of our parish with sensitivity and compassion. We extend a warm welcome to *Mr. Erickson* and look forward, under his direction, to the continued kind and compassionate service Middlesex Funeral Home has always provided to the members of our parish community during times of loss.

**Thank you** to all who so generously supported the Retired Priests' Collection and also our Major Renovation Fund.

### Altar Servers Schedule (Weekend of April 26—27)

**5:00 P.M.**— Katelyn Carmona

Amelia Casale

**8:00 A.M.**— Katie Schlip

Mary Schlip

Isabel Martinez

**10:00 A.M.**— Jordan McEvoy

Jackie Mai

Christina Mai

**11:30 A.M.**— Natalie Zychlinski

Mikaehla Pineda



Altar Servers



"You will show me the path to life, abounding joy in your presence, the delights at your right hand forever." (Psalm 16:11) Jesus has shown us the path to abounding joy. It comes when we give generously of ourselves. It comes when we love and serve one another.

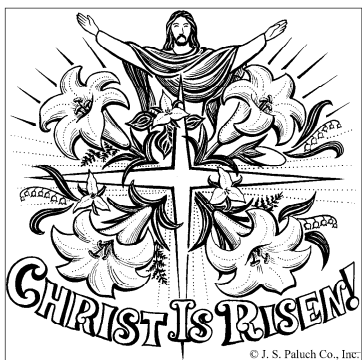
**April 5—6.....\$10,725.00**

Retired Priest Collection.....\$3,695.00

Spanish Mass (March 30).....\$352.00

Major Renovations Fund.....\$2,460.00

Weekly Parish Expenses.....\$19,246.00



## EASTER BLESSINGS!

from

Father Pat, Father Peter,  
Deacon John T, Deacon John C,  
Sister James, Dorothy Zmigrodski, Rives Cassel  
and our Parish Office Staff.

### 2013 Bishop's Annual Appeal Faith, Family, Community

Today we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. We have sung wonderful hymns that speak of our praise, adoration and joy! By your generosity to the Bishop's Annual Appeal you preach the Easter message every day. Thank you!

### Super 50/50 and "Rebuild Our Church" 50/50:

The 2014 OLMV Super 50/50 raffle booklets were recently mailed to all parishioners. This yearly fund-raising activity is so important to the financial health of our parish. Each family is asked to prayerfully considering support our parish by taking one book of chances at \$20.00 per book. Extra books will be available in the parish office. The drawing will be held after the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday, June 7. Thank you for your support.

The April "Rebuild Our Church" raffle is also now underway. Thank you also, to all who faithfully support this important endeavor which raises funds that are used to keep our physical plant in good condition. Additional tickets are available in the parish office.

**Congratulations** to David & Lori Bachochin who won the March "Rebuild Our Church" 50/50 Raffle.

Their prize was \$585.00

**Special Thanks** to everyone who continues to support our "Rebuild Our Church" program.

### **"MEMORIAL GARDEN BRICKS"**

are still available to remember a loved one or to recognize a special experience in our lives. **Next order will go in on Monday, April, 28, 2014.** Reasonably priced at \$150.00 for a 4" x 8" brick or \$250.00 for a 8" x 8" brick, they can be ordered through the parish office.



**NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES APRIL 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**First Communion Practice:**

**Group A— April 28 (4:00 pm—6:15 pm)**

**Group B— April 30 (4:00 pm—6:15 pm)**

A NOTE  
FROM  
FATHER  
PAT

## My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"He is not here. For he has been raised, just as he said." The angel of God announced to Mary Magdalene and her companion that Jesus was no longer in the tomb, and the world was now changed forever! The angel urges these women to announce Jesus' resurrection to his disciples. There is a further instruction: the disciples should travel to Galilee where they will see Jesus. The women went off quickly to share the "good news."

And this is not just good news, it is incredible news! Jesus has shown in resurrection that he is, indeed, the Son of God; Jesus is the Messiah; he is one with us---now and forever!

On the first Easter morning, the angel of God shares with the women news that will impact Christian believers forever. The Son of God is among us! In his death and resurrection, the Son has reclaimed humanity for the Father by his redemptive act which brings our sinfulness to the Throne of God.

Today, like Mary and her companion, we should be awed--struck by the magnitude of the angel's announcement: Jesus is risen. As it is for Mary and her companion, we should be awed by the incredible act of love that allowed Jesus to die for us so that in his resurrection, we can, forever, be one with him.. If we truly believe in the presence of Jesus in our lives, the Easter mystery becomes central to us. Jesus is, without doubt, the Son of God who is raised from the dead; and by this action, Jesus has redeemed the world!

After The Second Vatican Council, many Catholics, particularly here in the U.S. began to refer to themselves as "Easter" people. Second Vatican Council was very much in the news, and our Church was beginning to implement the Council's "new direction." There was a real sense that the People of God were not only committed to living their faith but anxious to begin participating more fully in the activity of the Church. Catholic really considered themselves to be "Easter people," that is, a people who were motivated in faith by Jesus: Jesus who had risen, Jesus who had taken our sinfulness to the Father, and Jesus who enlivened our hearts as we worshiped and prayed together.

Today we celebrate Easter, and we meditate on the great Easter miracle. Jesus has risen and remains with us now and forever! Today, before we begin our family celebrations, we might want to spend a few minutes in prayer and meditation, considering how we might remain an "Easter people" throughout the year.

Just like Mary and her companion, we must go forth from the tomb and remind the wider community that Jesus has, indeed, risen---and is now here, among us! By our lives, we need to witness the truth of Jesus, sharing his dynamic presence to all.

*In peace and prayer,  
Father Pat*

**A Pauline thought for the week:**

**"Let no one look down on you." (Titus 2: 15)**



**THE DEANERY SCHOOL:  
HOLY SAVIOR ACADEMY**

For more information contact the School's Office at 908-822-5890 or log on to the school's website at: [holysavioracademy.com](http://holysavioracademy.com).

**Thank you** to the parents of our Cub Scouts for organizing a delicious breakfast "fund-raiser" recently to help out with our Cub Scout program. Thanks to the many parishioners and family members who came out to enjoy some great food and a good time with the youngsters.

**A special thank you** also to Mrs. Dorothy Zmigrodski and Mrs. McGinley for organizing our annual Banner Workshop for the children in our first Holy Communion Class. The children (and their parents!) had a wonderful time making the banners which will be displayed in our church during the first week of May.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** Our monthly Baptism Preparation Class will be held this **Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 P.M. at Petra House.** Please call the Parish Office to register. Baptism dates may be selected after completing this evening of preparation.

**A Reminder:**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** begins after the 7:00 A.M. Mass on **Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** and ends at Noon. Come and enjoy the peace of a little quiet time with Jesus.

**OLMV ALTAR ROSARY MASS & COMMUNION:**  
Sunday, May 4, 8:00 am Mass.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- First Holy Communion: Group A—9:30 A.M.*
- Group B—11:30 A.M.*
- Confirmation: Sunday, May 18 at 5:00 pm.*
- Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Sunday, May 4 after the 8:00am Mass*
- K of C Spring Family Breakfast – Sunday, May 4*
- International Night – Saturday May 31, 2014*
- Annual OLMV Super 50/50 drawing – Saturday, June 7 after the 5:00pm Mass*
- Annual OLMV Car Show – Sunday, September 14*
- Annual OLMV Artisan Craft Fair – Sunday, November 16*

**OLMV 2ND ANNUAL  
ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR:**

The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish will sponsor our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Artisan Craft Fair this Fall. The date is November 16. Please mark the date on your calendars.



**OLMV ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY  
"HELP LINE"**

732-356-2149, option 6  
EN ESPAÑOL: 732-356-2149 ext.1001

All calls for assistance are confidential.  
**VEHICLE DONATION PROGRAM:**  
donate a running or non-running vehicle  
to help the less fortunate.

To do so please call the help line at 732-356-2149 x 6

**OLMV SOCIAL MINISTRIES**



**When a loved one dies**, our world is forever changed. For the heartbroken, daily life is overwhelmed with sadness. The simplest of tasks becomes a monumental challenge as our minds and hearts are clouded with tears, loneliness, fear and possibly anger. If you are suffering over the death of someone you loved, perhaps the 8 week Bereavement Group at the Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church, in Middlesex, may help you during this painful time. Their experienced, caring and trained facilitators will help guide you on your **Journey Through Grief. Thursday afternoons for 8 weeks beginning April 24 – June 12, 2014, 2:30 – 4:00 PM at Petra House.** For more information call Monique: 732-356-9001, Pat 732-356-8886 or Mary 732-331-6147 .

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:**

The next Children's Liturgy will take place next Sunday, April 27, 2014, at the 10:00am Mass. Children in Pre-k through grade 5 are invited to come forward to the sanctuary to hear a homily prepared for them. After Mass the children are invited to the church hall to participate in a craft and to have a snack. Parents and all adult members of our congregation are invited to share a cup of coffee and some light refreshment as well. Hope to see you at Mass and afterwards.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!!**

In the past, OLMV has sponsored a one week – morning - **Bible Camp** for youngsters in **grades K – 5.** If you think you might be interested in having your child/children attend this program, please complete the flyer that can be found around the church entrances, and return them to the parish by **Sunday, April 27, 2014.** Thank you.

**Lazarus Ministry...**Members of our Lazarus Ministry will be at all the Masses on the weekend of **April 26 and 27.** They invite us all to join their efforts in consoling and ministering to those who suffer at the time of loss and grief. There will be a special table set up with team members who are happy to answer any of your questions and to welcome your participation and support! Be sure to take an informational handout which will be distributed at all the doors.

**DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF CARL GRAF**

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MARIE & NED SCANNELL  
AUNT JULIE

**IN MEMORY OF BETTY HUDA**

TERESA & DENNIS KATZARA

Bring a friend or relative to Mass on the weekend's  
Give them the gift of God's love!!!

## INFORMATION SHEET

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