

Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church

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May 25, 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:

1st and 3rd 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 1st, 2nd and 3rd
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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2014

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“I will ask the Father, and he will give you the ...the Spirit of truth.”

-John 14:16-17

MASS INTENTIONS

MON., 9:00	May 26th A.M.	Saint Philip Neri, Priest Frances Messina r/o Court Regina Coeli Catholic Daughters
TUES., 12:00	May 27th P.M.	Easter Weekday Eileen Cerebe r/o Mother
WED., 7:00 7:00	May 28th A.M. P.M.	Easter Weekday Parishioners Dorothy Eganey r/o Dianne & James Mendelson & Family
THURS., 7:00 12:00	May 29th A.M. P.M.	The Ascension of the Lord Parishioners Linda Sasso-Martinowich r/o Emily & Joe Descenza
FRI., 7:00	May 30th A.M.	Easter Weekday Thomas Menselson r/o The State Officers of the K of C
SAT., 8:00 5:00	May 31st A.M. P.M.	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mary Jane Cheetham r/o Karen Marble Judith Voorhees r/o The Tambone Family
SUN., 8:00 10:00 11:30 1:30	June 1st A.M. A.M. A..M. P.M.	Seventh Sunday of Easter Elizabeth Lubas r/o Jean & Walter King Frances Crynock r/o Husband, George & Family Carl Graf r/o Shirley Halloran Eduardo Feijoo

REMINDER: 9:00 A.M. Mass only on Monday, May 26th



Memorials
Week of May 25—June 1
Altar Candles

Eileen Cerebe r/o Mom
Sanctuary Candles
Bob & Millie r/o Barbara Lyons
Altar Bread & Wine
Padre Pio r/o Assante Family

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. Prayers are requested for the recently deceased: Emma Cuccurullo, Bernice Parquette, Wonda Valent, Therese E. Boyd, John Struzinski, Mary V. Wuttke and Howard Bollin.

TODAY'S READING'S:

First Reading — The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17)

Psalm — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66)
Second Reading — Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame (1 Peter 3:15-18) or Peter 4:13-16.

Gospel — I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you (John 14:15-21)

WEDDING BANNERS

II Robert Rabouin & Amy Lutz



The following "little one" was Baptized on May 18, 2014
Quinn Erik Larsen, son of Erik & Jennifer Lausen

Evening Prayer in the Tradition of Taizé Now Appearing: Jesus the Risen Christ

Sunday, May 25 at 7:00 P.M.

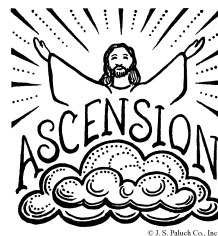
Set in the soft glow of candlelight, the resurrection appearances of Jesus will be explored. Meditative chants capturing the essence of the narration will be interspersed between the reflections. Ample amounts of silence will provide time for personal meditation and reflection.



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Mass Wednesday, May 28th
7:00 P.M.

ASCENSION THURSDAY MASSES
7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon & 7:00 P.M.



Altar Servers Schedule (Weekend of June 7—8)

5:00 P.M.— Katelyn Carmona
Amelia Casale
Taylor Anthony
8:00 A.M.— Katie Schilp
Mary Schilp
10:00 A.M.— Eliza DeGuzman
James Lawrence
T. Sviderskis-Carroll
11:30 A.M.— Jordan McEvoy
Jackie Mai
Christina Mai



Altar Servers



“Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” JOHN 20:19

May 17—18.....	\$8,341.00
Air Conditioning Collection.....	\$505.00
Major Renovations.....	\$981.00
Spanish Mass (May 11).....	\$434.00
Additional Easter Collection.....	\$215.00
Weekly Parish Expenses.....	\$19,246.00

CONGRATULATIONS

TO OUR PASTOR

REV. PATRICK J. KUFFNER
ON THE OCCASION OF THE
ANNIVERSARY OF HIS PRIESTLY ORDINATION
TODAY, SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2014



International Night:

The Cultural Diversity Ministry at *Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish* is sponsoring our 4th Annual International Night on **Saturday, May 31, 2014**. The International Night will take place in our *Parish Center Auditorium*, beginning at **6:00pm**. Tickets are available for sale after all weekend Masses – in the vestibule of the church and at the Parish office during regular hours. This event usually sells out, so plan to purchase your tickets early.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Annual OLMV Car Show – Sunday, September 14

OLMV 2ND ANNUAL ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR:

The Knights of Columbus, Council—12700, will sponsor a 2nd Annual Artisan Craft Fair this Fall. The date is November 16. Please mark the date on your calendars.

ANNUAL SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE:

Our **Annual Super 50/50 Raffle** is ongoing through June 7. Drawing will take place after the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday, June 7. Please remember to turn in your raffle tickets to the Parish office – or place them in the collection basket on the weekend. Your active support ensures that OLMV continues to meet its obligations and also is able to maintain our facilities. Thank you for your generosity.



Registration for **NEW** registrants only will be **Sunday, June 1st from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.** To register for Religious Education classes, the family **MUST be registered with the parish and a copy of Baptismal Certificate for each new registrant must be provided at registration even if the Baptism was at Our Lady of Mount Virgin.**

Religious Education is a continuous program. Grades 1 through 8 are required. One needs to come to Religious Education every year. To receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Communion grades 1 and 2 must be completed. To receive Confirmation grades 3 through 8 are required. **Call Dorothy at the Religious Education Office 732-356-8366 for further information.**

OLMV ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY: LIVING ROSARY AND BENEDICTION at the June 2nd meeting which will start at 7:00 PM in the church.



PAT BENSON AND NATALIE GUBLEO, WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE LADIES OF THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY WHO HELPED TO MAKE THE "BAKELESS" CAKE SALE SO SUCCESSFUL AGAIN THIS YEAR. THANK YOU!



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It seems that spring has finally arrived and that summer is right around the corner. Hopefully after a particularly difficult winter and the slow return of spring-like weather, we will be more attuned to God's goodness to us as we enjoy the beauty of spring flowers, trees and plants.

Spring is traditionally a time of sacramental life for us as members of the church. Just as life is renewed in nature each spring, so are we renewed as a parish community as many of our parishioners grow in the sacramental life. After a long Lenten absence, baptisms become a part of our worship cycle with both adults coming forth at the Easter Vigil and babies presented for baptism on Sunday afternoons.

Almost fifty of our second grade children received First Holy Communion on the first Saturday of May, and many of the adult members of our community also continued their initiation in the church as they received Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil or at the monthly Mass celebrated by our Chinese Community.

Just a week ago, more than fifty of our young adults proclaimed their faith here in our church as they spoke a resounding "Yes" to God, and stepped forward to receive the "Gift of the Holy Spirit." During the Easter season we also had a number of adults who entered into the fullness of initiation to our faith community as they, too, received the Holy Spirit. We will proudly accept an additional four members of our adult community into the fullness of our faith when they come forth on Pentecost Sunday to be confirmed in the faith!

April and May seem to be particularly popular months for weddings, and at OLMV we are so proud of the many young couples who enter into the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony here in our church, particularly in the spring and early summer. To be part of the beautiful nuptial celebration and witness a bride and groom exchange their vows before God is such a privilege. It is a grace to support a young couple as they begin the lives together as a man and wife.

My brothers and sisters, sometimes in the hustle and bustle of daily life, we forget that our beautiful church is more than a building where we come together to celebrate Mass on the weekend. Our Lady of Mount Church is more than a physical structure; it is a place made holy because of the graced actions that take place here. Indeed, Jesus is present among us each week at Mass when we come together to worship and be nourished in Holy Eucharist. Our church is truly a holy place. It is filled with the grace of God and alive with the presence of the risen Lord.

Have no doubt: God's grace is present and active here at OLMV! God continually bestows his grace on us at Mass and in the Sacraments---and we are better for it!

In peace and prayer,

Father Pat

ACH Banking: Completed forms along with a "voided" check can be forwarded to the Parish Office. ACH Banking is a convenient way to ensure that your financial support of our parish takes place regularly. ACH Banking forms are available at the parish office and can also be found in the front entrance-way of the church.



Remember, Lord, the fallen
 who died in fields of war,
 in flaming clouds, in screaming crowds,
 on streets that are no more,
 that we today might waken
 and greet this day in peace with grateful prayer for
 those who bear
 the storms that never cease.



Remember friends and strangers,
 and those forgotten now,
 whose names are known to you alone,
 before whose love we bow
 and ask that you surround them
 with mercy's endless light
 that they may live, and we forgive
 the foe they went to fight.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed this

Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day.



Baptismal Class: Thursday, June 5, 7:30 pm. Families must register by calling the Parish Office to attend the class.

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday, June 6, 7:30 am—12:00 Noon. Everyone is welcomed to spend some quiet time with the Lord!

Food for FISH Collection: Thank you to our generous parishioners who so graciously donated food for our last collection. We yielded 91 bags of food and 1 case. **Next Collection for FISH:** June 14—15.

HAVE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY BEEN IMPACTED BY TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES? The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) may be able to help you pay your winter heating bills, and due to a challenging winter filled with frigid temperatures and frequent snow storms, **the State has extended the LIHEAP application period to June 30, 2014.** For those with moderate incomes, the True Grant, PAGE GRANT and /or NJ Shares programs may provide financial assistance. Call 1-800-510-3102, or visit pseg.com/help to download program applications and find information on how to apply.

CELEBRATING CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

June 19, 7:00—9:00 pm

The Office for Catechesis will co-sponsor a workshop on Celebrating Children's Liturgy of the Word. Come and join us and share practical ideas for celebrating Liturgy of the Word with Children whether you are interested in starting a program or fine tuning one already in place. For more information call 732-562-2435.



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



**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.

Immaculate Conception School and Immaculata High School will sponsor a 5K race on Saturday, June 21. Start time is 8:30 am. Opportunities for corporate sponsorship are also available. For more information or to register for the race, visit www.immaculatahighschool.org/advancement/events or call 908-722-0200, ext. 224.



Friday June 13th Join us at the National Blue Army Shrine, Washington, NJ to

celebrate Our Lady's apparition at Fatima in 1917. Pray in the Holy House USA, containing crushed stone from the Holy House of Loreto; a copy of Our Lady of Loreto statue that smiled upon Pope John XXIII; the actual baldacchino and altar over which the last great apparition of Fatima took place; and the largest extant piece of the tree upon which Our Lady stood at Fatima. Visit the Capelinha with three roof tiles from the original Fatima Chapel destroyed in 1922. Confessions start 10:30 am. Rosary Procession at 12:00 Noon; 12:30 Guest Speaker Rev. Matthew Mauriello; Holy Mass: 1:00 pm. Main Celebrant Rev. James P. Miara. Celebrations ends with the Fatima Farewell procession. For more info: www.bluearmy.com

BROADWAY COMES TO OLMV



Godspell is a musical by Stephen Schwartz which opened Off Broadway in May, 1971 and has been on tour with various theatrical companies around the world. One of its songs, **Day By Day**,

reached # 13 on the Billboard pop single chart in the summer of 1972. The structure of the musical is a series of parables, mostly based on the Gospel of Matthew. The parables are interspaced with a variety of songs set to modern music and often based on traditional hymns. The Passion of Christ is treated briefly at the end of the production. A film version was released in 1973.

OLMV Parish is pleased to offer a production of **Godspell** on Friday, July 18 and Saturday, July 19 at 7:00pm each evening. The show will be held in the Church Hall which is air-conditioned. This show will be an adaptation by the "Outset Players" led by Anthony Tumolo, a local thespian.

There will be no charge for the show, but the parish is accepting a free will offering which will be used to help defray the cost of upgrading the Church air-conditioning system.

Reserve the dates on your calendar and plan to attend on one of the evenings. This musical production of **Godspell** will be a memorable moment here at OLMV and should not be missed. Watch the bulletin and the parish bulletin boards for additional information.

INFORMATION SHEET

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