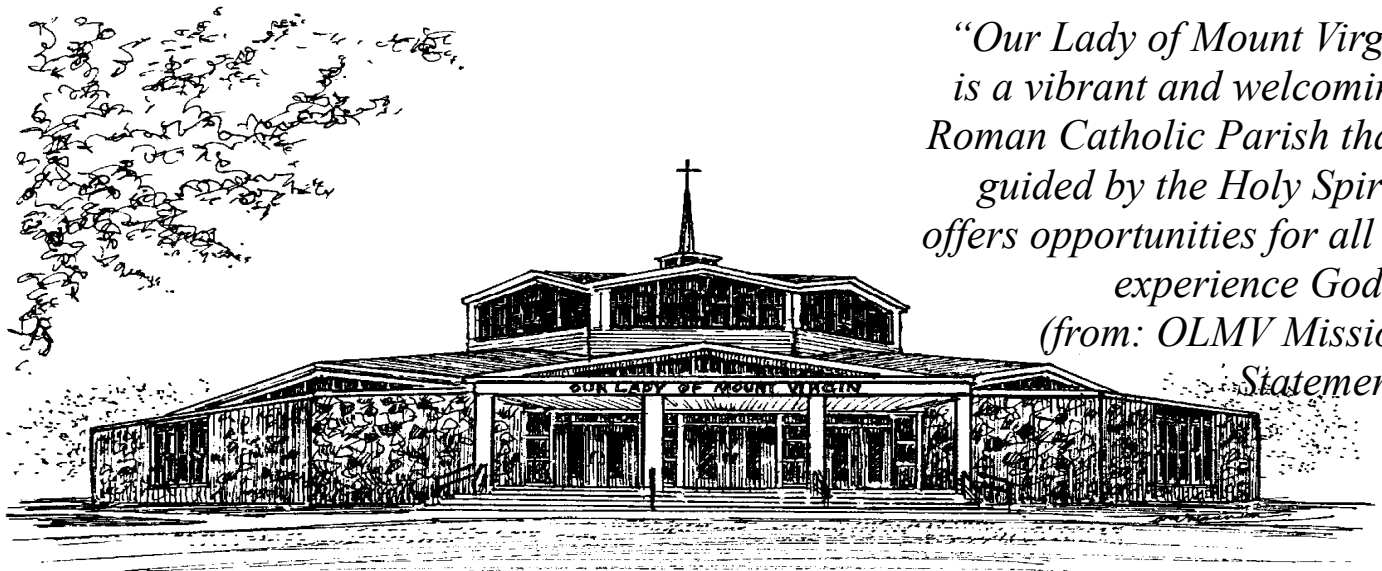


Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church

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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

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

June 1, 2014



He was lifted up,
and a cloud took
him from their
sight.

-Acts 1:9

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MASS INTENTIONS

MON., 7:00	June 2nd A.M.	Saint Peter Apolonia Camaclang Sabale r/o Amelia S. Villar
TUES., 12:00	June 3rd P.M.	Saint Charles Lwanga Theresa, Michael & Myron Zabawsky r/o Theresa A. Zabawsky
WED., 7:00	June 4th A.M.	Easter Weekday Mary, Joe, Lucas & Anne Buratti r/o Sharon Lucas
THURS., 7:00	June 5th A.M.	Saint Boniface Mark Bradley r/o Mom, Carmie
FRI., 7:00	June 6th A.M.	Easter Weekday Philomena Ciliberto r/o Son, Peter
SAT., 8:00 5:00	June 7th A.M. P.M.	Easter Weekday OLMV Purgatorial Society Michael O'Shoughnessy r/o Kitty & Rick Iacono
SUN., 8:00 10:00 11:30 1:30	June 8th A.M. A.M. A.M. P.M.	Pentecost Sunday Lorraine O'Keefe r/o Maureen Collins John & Dorothy Giammarco r/o Daughter, Mary Joanna & Hipolit Sutkowski r/o Emily Fabiano & Felicia Sutkowski Comunidad Hispana de OLMV

Vacation Bible School:

Due to the lack of interest, it is necessary to cancel our planned *Vacation Bible School*. Thank you *Mrs. Lee Ann McNulty* for your hard work in trying to revive this ministry to our younger parishioners. Our **Monthly "Children's" Liturgy** will resume in September. Thank you to our youngsters (and to their parents) who participated. Special thanks to *Mrs. Kelly Rooney* and her volunteers who did such a great job of making our children feel special while they worked on their crafts and enjoyed a snack!!!

Week of June 1—8 Tabernacle Candles

Engelman Family r/o Patricia Engelman
Altar Bread & Wine
Gloria Young r/o Tripoli Family

Memorials



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: Jeanne Money, Helen Slepsh and Michael Jazrawi.

TODAY'S READING'S:

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1—11).
Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).
Second Reading — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17—23).
Gospel — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16—20).



The following couple was married on Saturday, May 17, 2014

Michael Veneziano & Kimberly Johnson

We pray that our Lord will bless them with every grace as they begin their married life.

WEDDING BANNERS

I Julie Bachovchin & Cory Beauregard
III Robert Rabouin & Amy Lutz

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.

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

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!

Altar Servers Schedule (Weekend of June 14—15)

5:00 P.M.— Erin Rooney
Sheridan Hoyt
Mikaehla Pineda
8:00 A.M.— Jonathon Massarelli
Isabel Martinez
10:00 A.M.— Arista Parillo
Jackie Mai
Christina Mai
11:30 A.M.— Natalie Zychlinski



Altar Servers

Our Weekly Offering

"The very stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 PETER 2:7

May 24—25.....\$9,299.00
Singles for soldiers Collection.....\$1,016.00
Major Renovations.....\$601.00
Spanish Mass (May 18).....\$601.00
Weekly Parish Expenses.....\$19,246.00

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 interspersed 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.



The International Pilgrim Statue of Fatima Visits the Diocese of Metuchen Hail Mary full of grace!

Please celebrate Our Lady of Fatima's visit to our church **Our Lady of Mount Virgin on June 20 from 7:00 am—12:30 pm (Holy Mass at 7:00 am) and Eucharistic Adoration.**

Experience the presence of Mary, our Blessed Mother comes to us, bring the children everyone is invited!

Religious Education:

Our **Religious Education** recently concluded with over 100 children receiving either First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our Religious Education program is outstanding in so many ways due to the leadership of *Mrs. Dorothy Zmigrodski* and a large number of dedicated and talented Catechists and Aides who work so effectively with the children of our parish. If we are to continue to successfully proclaim the "Good News" of Jesus Christ effectively to the younger members of our parish, we need your help! Won't you consider serving the Lord and our parish youngsters as a **Catechist or an Aide for the 2014/2015 Academic year.** Please take a few minutes to stop by or call *Mrs. Zmigrodski* to find out about helping to proclaim the Gospel to our youth. **OLMV** needs you ---the youth of our parish need you and are counting on you!!! **Please help!!!**

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.



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the Sundays of Easter this year, in my homilies I have tried to highlight different characteristics that we share as a community of believers.

Jesus, by his death and resurrection confirmed for us that he has poured out love upon the world as an antidote to all of the sin and suffering that is so much a part of the human condition due to the selfishness of mankind. As we continued to experience the beauty and power of the risen Christ during this Easter season, I also chose to explore the virtues of faith and hope. In addition, I have invited our parishioners to consider the value of service and commitment to the Lord and our Church as we continue to live our lives as persons profoundly affected by Jesus' death and resurrection.

We continue to celebrate our unique relationship with the Lord as baptized members in our faith. As Catholic Christians, we are incorporated into the Church at the time of our baptism, and we continue the process of Christian initiation as we come forward and receive First Holy Communion and the Sacrament of Confirmation.

As we meditate on today's scriptural passages, we are invited to consider prayer as our response to the Lord for his goodness in our lives. We read in today's passage from the Book of Acts that after the Ascension of the Lord, the apostles returned to the upper room where they spent time in prayer as they awaited the coming of God's Spirit. And they were not involved in casual prayer. They prayed with zeal and energy as they awaited the Spirit's direction, and as they continued to discern how they were to fulfill the Lord's command to proclaim the Good News and to Baptize those who accepted the Word of God in their lives.

We have almost completed the Easter season and we now wait with much anticipation for the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost. Each of us who have spent time in prayer during the Easter Season should be anticipating with great and joyful expectation to the power of God's Spirit within our own hearts and souls. Just like the Apostles, we are called and commissioned to proclaim the Good News that Jesus has risen and is ever-present among us. Each of us, like those early apostles, by virtue of our own baptism have been called to share the presence of the risen Christ, and to be open always to the writing of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Even as we come together to celebrate the Sacred Liturgy this weekend, we are already thinking about the more relaxed time of summer. Now is the time, more than ever, to also consider the power of the Lord in our lives and to endeavor each and every day to live in such a way that by word and action, we are bearers of the truth that God is among us: Jesus is risen and present---and this is, indeed, Good News!

In peace and prayer,

Father Pat

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