

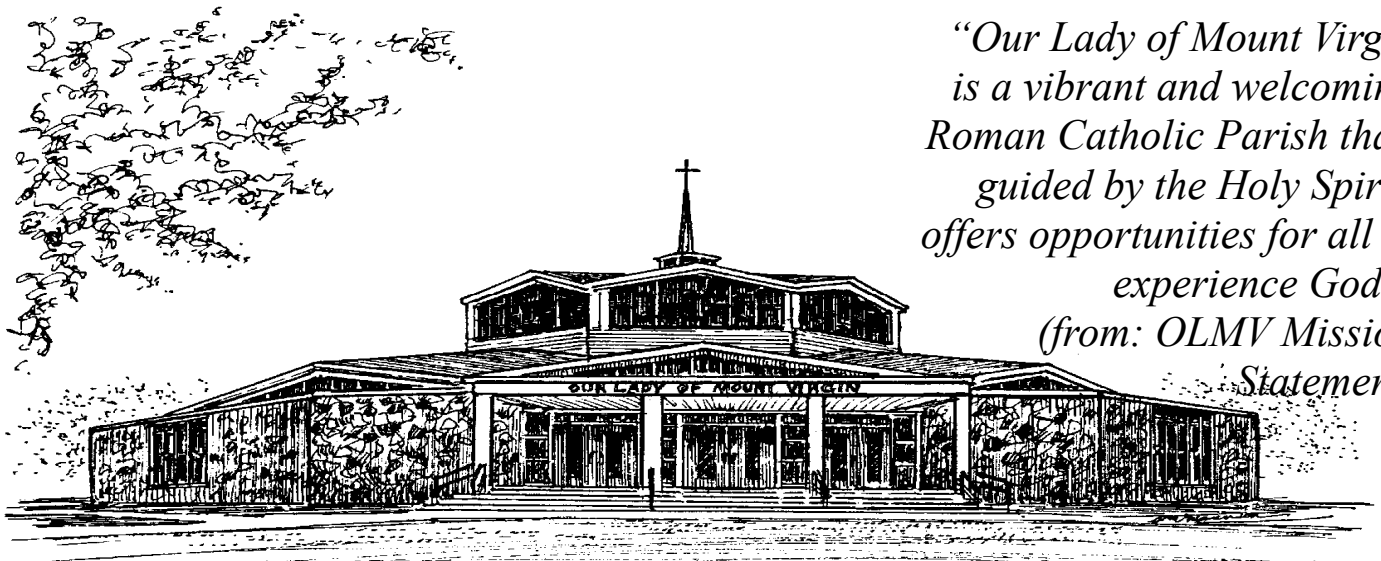
Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church

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June 8, 2014

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www.olmv.net

*"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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 8, 2014



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There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

-Acts 2:3

MASS INTENTIONS

MON., 7:00	June 9th A.M.	Saint Ephrem Robert Johnson r/o Mary
TUES., 12:00	June 10th P.M.	Weekday Richard Shepard r/o Elinor Shepard
WED., 7:00	June 11th A.M.	Saint Barnabas Parishioners
THURS., 7:00	June 12th A.M.	Weekday Tom Mendelson r/o Mary & Dave Czachur
FRI., 7:00	June 13th A.M.	Saint Anthony of Padua Rose Malt r/o Malt Family
SAT., 8:00	June 14th A.M.	Weekday Frank DeRosa & Consentino Families r/o Mary DeRosa, Wife & Son
5:00	P.M.	Antonio Nappa r/o Josephine
SUN., 8:00	June 15th A.M.	The Most Holy Trinity Joseph Butera r/o Ann & Family
10:00	A.M.	Bernard V. Salvatore r/o wife, Margaret, Children & Grandchildren
11:30	A..M.	Alfonso & Rose Casale r/o The Casale Family
1:30	P.M.	1er Año de Aniversario de haber fallecido, Carlos Alberto Cabezas Vargas

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 8—15 Tabernacle Candles

Emma Cuccurullo r/o Enrica Tripoli & Family
Sanctuary Candles
John Dombroski r/o Wife, Dorothy



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.

TODAY'S READING'S:

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).



The following "little ones" were Baptized on June 1, 2014
Avery Monroe Bennett, daughter of Joseph & Kristin Bennett
Abigail Marie Hewitt, daughter of Walter & Erin Hewitt

WEDDING BANNERS

II Julie Bachovchin & Cory Beauregard

Membership in the OLMV Community:

If you have moved into the Middlesex area and attend Mass at OLMV, it is important that you take a few moments to register at the parish. The parish is unable to meet your spiritual needs if you don't make yourself known to us and become part of the OLMV Catholic community! Please remember to register by stopping by or by contacting the parish office.

If you are planning on moving, please take a few minutes also to notify the parish office that you will be leaving the parish. We will be happy to give you a letter of introduction to your new parish.



Mass Remembrance Envelopes, for loved ones living or deceased, were included in your monthly envelope batch. These requests will be placed on the Altar to remember your loved ones. You may return it in the collection basket or the parish office.

Altar Servers Schedule (Weekend of June 21—22)

- 5:00 P.M.**— Haley Logue
Madison Logue
Hunter Logue
- 8:00 A.M.**— Richie McNulty
Tommy McNulty
- 10:00 A.M.**— James Lawrence
Jonathon Massarelli
T. Sviderskis -Carroll
- 11:30 A.M.**— Katie Schilp
Mary Schilp



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

May 31—Jun. 1 NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINTING
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!!!**

STOP BY AND PRAY OR SIT AWHILE...

Please make use of our Meditation Garden. What a beautiful spot to spend a few minutes with our Lord! Our Meditation Garden and Remembrance Walkway project is ongoing, and bricks can be ordered at any time. . Remembrance bricks are a beautiful way to memorialize loved ones or special moments in our lives.



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A blessed Pentecost Sunday to all; may we continue to walk proudly in the presence of the risen Lord and be ever-open to the Spirit of God in our everyday lives!

The 2013-2014 church year is now winding down and we all look for the simpler and less stressful days of summer. Here at OLMV we are also looking forward to beautiful weather, vacations, and personal renewal and refreshment. Fewer parish activities and a more relaxed atmosphere make a nice respite to the very busy calendar with which we are engaged every September to June.

Recently I was privileged to meet with some outstanding parishioners who are members of our Pastoral and Financial Councils. The members brought to my attention that many important agenda items are discussed and approved at Pastoral and Financial Council meetings. While these members have a good idea of what is happening around our parish and why, many of our parishioners who faithfully support the parish in prayer, worship and with their financial gifts really are not aware of all the wonderful and positive things happening in the parish. It was suggested that I, as your pastor, make more of an effort to inform the wider community of parish initiatives, and that I do so regularly.

Of particular concern of the Pastoral and Financial Councils was that parishioners be informed of the ongoing actions which address and upgrade our parish facilities. I am so pleased to let our parishioners know that there has been a most generous response to our "Major Renovations Fund" campaign. Since we began this campaign in August, 2013 the parish has received slightly more than **\$60,000** in monthly contributions from our parishioners as well as almost **\$40,000** in special memorial gifts. Bishop Bootkoski, in his generosity and concern for OLMV, has given special permission for the "Major Renovations Fund" to be a "special collection" which is not part of our diocesan assessment.

During this past year, our parish has worked diligently to upgrade our facilities and has developed a long-term plan with the help of our Pastoral and Financial Councils. To date, the parish has replaced the roof on the gym/auditorium of our parish center and also put a new roof on the church. In addition, continued upgrades to our electrical system were made with the new lights in the parking lot, on the church and on the parish center. The heating system in the church has been replaced. This year, a new heating system was installed in the parish center and a new roof with new sky-lights has been installed on the remainder of the parish center. (In January, a major leak in that roof caused over \$60,000 in damage to the interior of the structure which was paid by diocesan insurance. The diocese required the parish to replace the roof at the same time---at our cost.) This year a new sound system was installed in the church. Electrical and safety upgrades have continued in both the church and the parish center.

Thank you, my brothers and sisters in Christ for assisting so generously in maintaining our parish structures. Your regular financial support and your support of the "Major Renovations Fund" have produced "much good fruit!"

In peace and prayer,

Father Pat



THE DEANERY SCHOOL: HOLY SAVIOR ACADEMY
NEW REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED. 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.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

Here at *Our Lady of Mount virgin Parish* we recognize that our children, our teenagers and our young adults are the future of our parish. We are committed to serving the spiritual needs of the whole community and recognize that we need to be more actively engaged in reaching our youth and young adults, and we must seek new and creative ways to help them become active and integral members of our parish. To that end, I would invite interested parishioners to join me in the formation of a "Search Committee" to explore how OLMV can more effectively serve the spiritual as well as social needs of the younger members of our parish community. If you think you might be interested in exploring ideas to better meet the challenges of providing ministry to our youth and young adults, please call or e-mail the pastor and leave your name and your contact information. (Fr. Pat: 732-356-2149 x 1006;pkuffner@olmv.net).

PRAYER SHAWLS

Prayer Shawls are crocheted or knotted with love and prayers. We hope the recipient will feel God's loving embrace and peace as they wrap the shawl around themselves. If you know of anyone who is sick or lonely and would find comfort in a prayer shawl, please call **Patty Reents at 732-356-2913**. WE HAVE BEEN A MINISTRY HERE AT OLMV FOR FOUR YEARS NOW AND HAVE GIVEN OUT 372 SHAWLS!

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.



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

A SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM OLMV
CULTURAL DIVERSITY MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who so graciously helped to make last Saturday's, "International Night" a big success. In particular thanks to the CDM Committee: Bill Lawrence, Reents Family, Pat Martinez, Milena Perlaza, Anna Massessa, Manny Motomal, Elisa Rodriguez, Gayle Troia, Berta Ippich Ebert, Casale Family, Barbara Benson, Mary Konapacki. Thank you to Dave Czachur, Tony & Monique Sasso, Jim Murphy, Jimmy Bielicky and Dave Langton. Thank you to Eileen Wang and to the Catholic Chinese Community for all their support. Thank you also to Ed Kura and his maintenance staff who made sure that everything was in place and ready for the event. A powerful thank you to all our generous parishioners who participated and to those who bought our homemade food at our *International Night*. Thank you to Reeves Cassel and his children choir for their beautiful presentation. Thank you to the different groups who entertained us during the evening, the presentations were fabulous, the decorations were spectacular! Congratulations to Lily Salazar the winner of our *International Night 50/50 raffle*, her price was \$211.00.

Next Food Collection for Fish, Inc. June 14—15 We are asking each family to consider donating one or more of the following:

- A box of cereal or
- A package of rice or pasta or
- A canned good item or
- A can of coffee or
- A box of tea bags or

Any single non-perishable food item
Many in our parish are contributing a bag full of these items, and we are very grateful – Thank you.

Summer Blood Drive. Sunday, July 13, 2014. Due to an emergency blood shortage in our area hospitals, Our Lady of Mt. Virgin parish is appealing to all eligible donors to give blood on Sunday, July 13th, from 8:00 am – 1:00pm.

To be eligible, a donor must be at least 17 years old, in reasonably good health, and bring a photo or signed ID. You must also know your social security number.

Many people think they cannot give when, in fact, they are eligible. If you have questions about your eligibility, please call 1-800-933-8566. or visit their website at www.nybloodcenter.org. Please help to save lives and give hope to the families of cancer patients, accident victims, premature infants and others with life threatening illnesses.

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.

INFORMATION SHEET

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