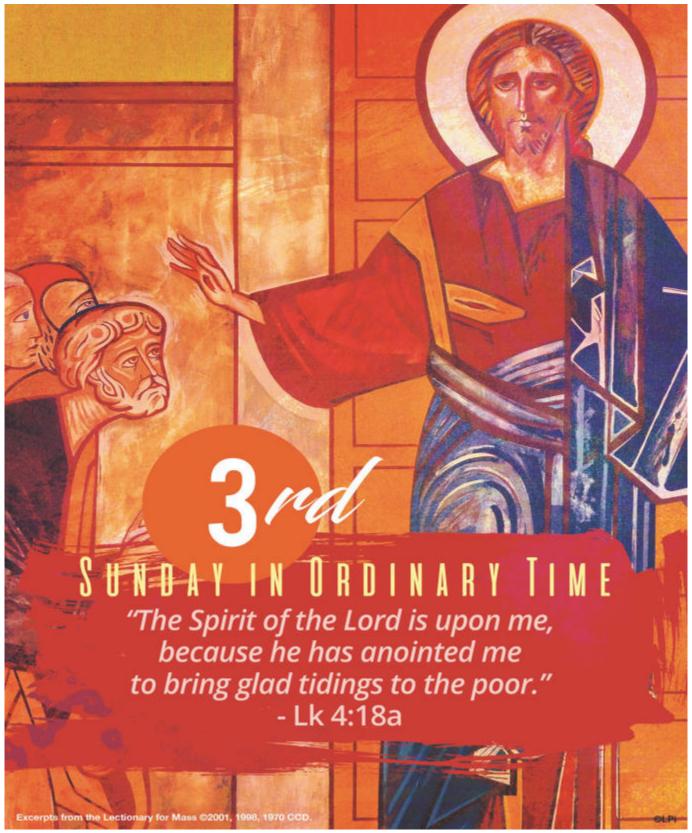
# **OLM Parish Bulletin**

40 Sullivan Drive, Jersey City, NJ 07305 Sunday, January 23, 2022







Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy,

I hope you are warm, healthy, and safe during this cold month of January.

In our second reading this weekend, Saint Paul wrote to the people in Corinth that "as a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ." (1 Corinthians 12:12). Saint Paul uses this image of the human body to tell us that the Church is one, but it has many parts. All the parts need to work together. We are the Church and each one of us was given gifts by the Holy Spirit on the day of our baptism. We need to use our gifts so the Church might function.

This letter of Saint Paul challenges us to discover what gifts we were given by the Holy Spirit. I encourage you to reread the passage (1 Corinthians 12:12-30) and consider which gift you might possess. Then with the help of the Holy Spirit, use that gift, act on it. The Church needs you to use your gifts to further the growth of God's kingdom here on earth.

I am happy that so many of you have stepped up to be part of a ministry or ministries in our parish. God bless you all. But we need more people to be involved. I appeal to you to please get involved! Our parish needs people to serve in the following areas, just to name a few, we need teachers for our religious education program, a youth minister, lectors, extraordinary ministers, ushers or hospitality ministers, bereavement ministers, ministers for the sick and homebound, someone to take care of our special needs children, and many others. Many of the people involved in such ministries work behind the scenes, but God sees everything we do, and the reward is great in heaven.

As we move along, let us pray for one another. I know we have a lot to pray for these days, given the fact that we are still in fear of this pandemic caused by Covid19 and its variants. But we have to especially pray that the Holy Spirit will lead us in our lives and in the life of the Church.

I would like to end by encouraging you to support the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, as you always do. Last week, I wrote in my article that our goal for this year is the same as last year's, \$42,120. I have faith and trust in your generosity. Thank you.

God bless you all!

Love,

+Father Marty

# COVID TESTING CONTINUES HERE AT OLM



MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
January 24 to February 11
10 am to 6 pm
in the Maria Room

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday, January 16 Regular Collection \$6,990

Thank you for your support! Your gifts show your love for our parish and your gratitude for God's blessings.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will be published for four consecutive weeks. Contact the parish office to add a name, or to request that a name be continued.

Week One
Erwin Reyes, Ruth Wiggins
Week Two
Maria Kowalczyk, Lorraine Ciano
Week Four
Robert Kudlacik

# POPE'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION Human Fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

# CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION APPEAL 2022

"Catholic Stewardship in Action" is this year's Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese of Newark. This appeal supports the mission, programs and ministries of the Archdiocese. This year's goal for Our Lady of Mercy Parish is \$42,120. There will be a 100% rebate of every dollar collected above our goal. Please be generous as always!

#### **SCRIPTURE PASSAGES**

Sunday, January 23, The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Nehemiah 8:2-41, 5-6,8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21

## A THANK YOU FROM OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

January 11, 2022

Dear Father Marty and All of Our Lady of Mercy's Families,

Thank you for your support of our efforts to meet the needs of our community. The generosity shown through the most recent Food Drive organized by the Our Lady of Mercy's Holy Name Society to benefit the Our Lady of Sorrows Emergency Food Pantry will play a very important role in our ability to

respond effectively to the needs of our families.



This year, our Emergency Food Pantry has been able to respond to over 1,100 requests for food assistance for over 600 families including 300 children.

The members of the Our Lady of Mercy Parish have been a constant support to us. So many generous donations of money, non-perishable food items and personal hygiene supplies have done much to help us meet the growing needs of our community families. This year's Simbang Gabi gift has been overwhelming!

Our Social Concerns outreach program continues to thrive! Thanks to compassionate and caring persons like you and the OLM Family who help us continue to meet these emergency needs. You are a vital part of what God calls us to do, "love one another"! We consider you an important part of our efforts.

May the 2022 be a time of blessing for you all.

Thank you for the help you have given.

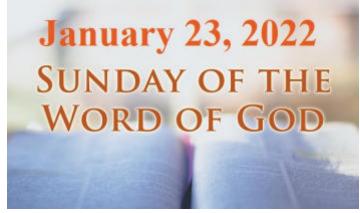
#### Carol Harris

Food Pantry Coordinator Our Lady of Sorrows Parish 93 Clerk Street Jersey City, NJ 07305

Donation: \$1956

Over \$1000 in Self-stable food items





On September 30, 2019, Pope Francis announced that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time would be celebrated as the *Sunday of the Word of God*. This year, it falls on Sunday, January 23, 2022.

In the Introduction to the Lectionary for Mass, we are reminded of the role of the Word of God in the life of the Church. In the hearing of God's Word, the Church is built up and grows; and in the signs of the liturgical celebration, God's wonderful, past works in the history of salvation are presented anew as mysterious realities. God in turn makes use of the congregation of the faithful that celebrates the Liturgy in order that his Word may speed on and be glorified and that his name be exalted among the nations.

Whenever, therefore, the Church, gathered by the Holy Spirit for liturgical celebration, announces and proclaims the Word of God, she is aware of being a new people in whom the covenant made in the past is perfected and fulfilled.

Baptism and Confirmation in the Holy Spirit have made all Christ's faithful into messengers of God's Word because of the grace of hearing they have received. They must therefore be the bearers of the same Word in the Church and in the world, at least by the witness of their lives.

The Word of God proclaimed in the celebration of God's mysteries does not only address present conditions but looks



back to past events and forward to what is yet to come.

Thus, God's word shows us what we should hope for with such a longing that in this changing world our hearts will be set on the place where our true joys are found.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16)



SATURDAY, Jan 22

5pm John Wodzanowski (9<sup>th</sup> Birthday in Heaven)

r/b Len Wodzanowski

SUNDAY, Jan 23, The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Keith, Emilia Jean & Patrick Lucia

In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received

10am For the People of the Parish

12pm Aurelio Delgado r/b Mila Delgado

MONDAY, Jan 24

7am Mario & Fely Rodriguez

(Wedding Anniversary)

8:30am Priscilla Matienzo r/b Eduardo Arago

TUESDAY, Jan 25

7am Briccio T. Dava (Death Anniversary)

r/b Edwin & Nora Dava

8:30am Alfonso Matienzo r/b Rosario Arago

WEDNESDAY, Jan 26

7am Hermie Macalino (Birthday Blessing) 8:30am Loreto Matienzo r/b Eduardo Arago

THURSDAY, Jan 27

7am Rosemary Wodzanowski (9<sup>th</sup> Birthday in

Heaven) r/b Len Wodzanowski

8:30am Mario Rodriguez (Birthday Blessing)

FRIDAY, Jan 28

7am Purgatorial Society

5pm Paulino Medina (Death Anniversary)

r/b Raffy & Elsa Resurreccion

SATURDAY, Jan 29

5pm For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, Jan 30, The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Remigio S. Savellano (Birthday in Heaven)

10am Margaret Rossi (Death Anniversary)

r/b Gilbert Rossi

12pm Isabelita Mosqueda r/b Alex & Rose Duque



#### **BREAD & WINE**

The offering for the **Bread & Wine** to be used this week at our Masses is given **In Memory of the Deceased Members of our Parish Family.** 

#### **SANCTUARY LAMP**

The lamp burning over our tabernacle in the Church is offered for The Intentions of the People of the Parish



#### **PARISH INFORMATION**

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#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 5 pm Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon Weekday Mass Schedule Monday – Friday: 7 am & 8:30 am

#### **RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSIONS**

Monday through Friday 9 am to 9:30 am Saturday 4 pm to 4:30 pm

#### MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you or a relative is hospitalized or homebound and wish a visit from a parish priest, contact the Office.

#### IS YOUR MARRIAGE VALID?

If you were not married in the Church before a priest or deacon, your marriage might not be valid in the eyes of the Church. (There are limited interfaith exceptions with proper permission.) We invite you to speak with Father Marty if you have any questions or if you wish to validate your marriage. The process can be simple, and your marriage will now be blessed and recognized by the Church. You will also benefit spiritually by receiving the Sacrament of Matrimony.

#### **2022 BIBLE DIARY ON SALE AT OLM**

The new edition of the popular Bible Diary is on sale for \$12 at the Parish Office after Mass or during office hours. It is a great aid for personal daily prayer.

# Upcoming EVENTS

Jan. 23, Sunday Confirmation Preparation Session

Jan. 24, Monday Covid Testing at OLM Covid Testing at OLM

Jan. 26, Wednesday Covid Testing at OLM Covid Testing at OLM Covid Testing at OLM Covid Testing at OLM

Jan. 31, Monday
Feb. 1, Tuesday
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Feb. 2, Wednesday Covid Testing at OLM Feb. 3, Thursday Memorial of St. Blaise

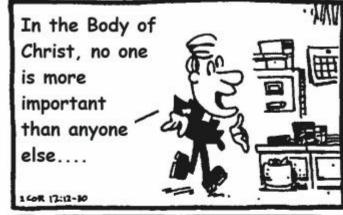
Blessing of Throats at Mass

Feb. 3, Thursday Covid Testing at OLM Covid Testing at OLM

#### **PARISH ROSARY CRUSADE**

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	<b>LADY OF MERCY</b> Rose/Alex Duque Edna/Gene Garcia	Jan. 23 Jan. 30	LADY OF FATIMA Imelda Austria Cora Paclarin
	Celso/Mely Cruz	Feb. 6	Alice Torres
	Ana Mae Aldea	Feb. 13	Presy/Connie Lorenzo
	Joe/Aida Villamaria	Feb. 20	Jeng/Florence Villa
	Dante Balcos	Feb. 27	Alex/Rose Duque
	Fred/Bing Beyo	Mar. 6	Marilou Bustamante
	Susan Quiambao	Mar. 13	Bessie Rezaba
	Judy Flannery	Mar. 20	Elvie Gabot
	Manny Baticulon	Mar. 27	Celia Obedencio

## 3 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





"Now you are Christ's body and individually parts of it" 1 Corinthians 12:27



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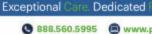
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