

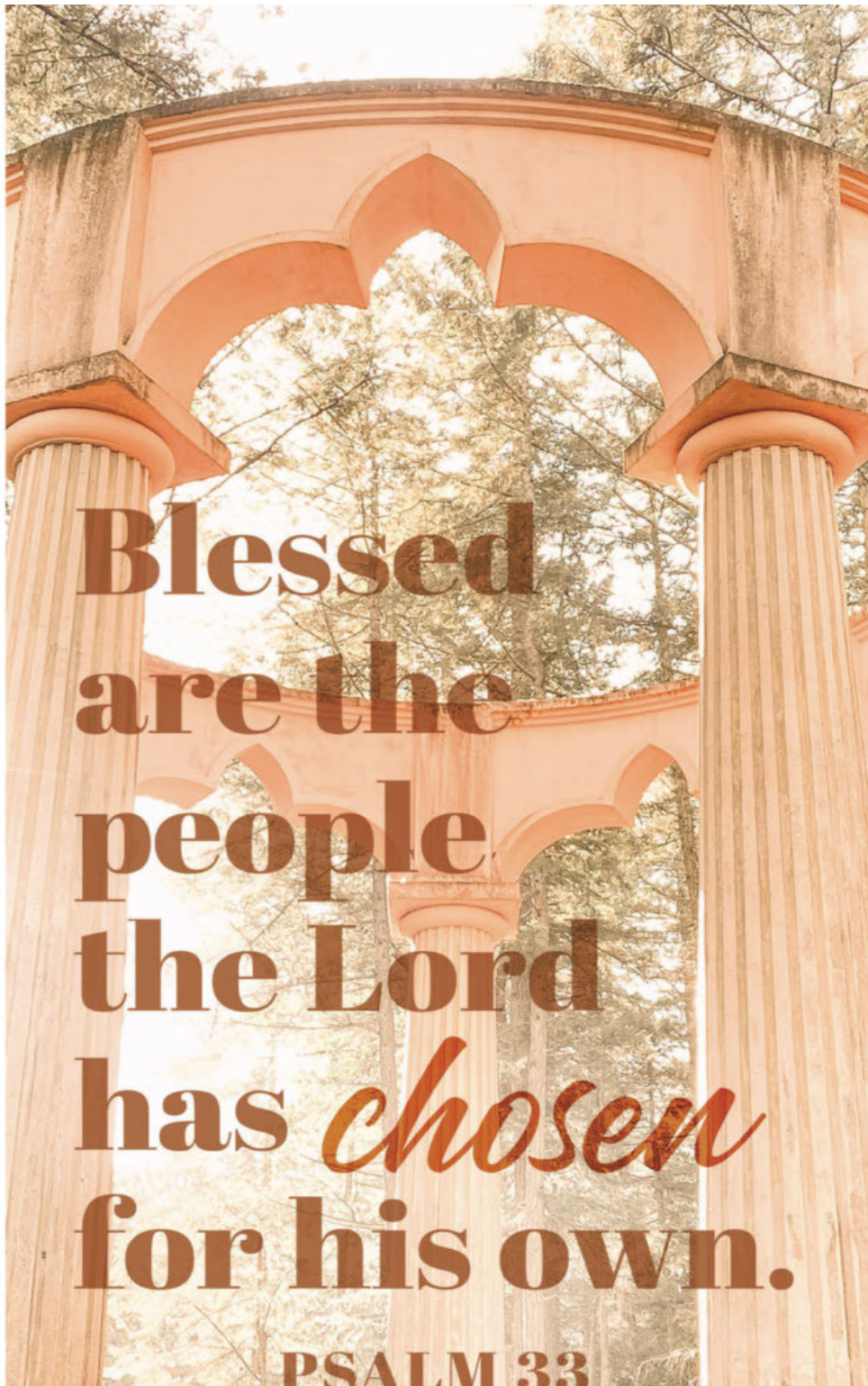
OLM Parish Bulletin

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Sunday, August 7, 2022

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants.”

- Lk 12:37-38



Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy,
Greetings in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

I hope and pray that you are enjoying your relaxation and recreation time with family and/ or friends. Make the most of it because autumn is coming.

As we enjoy this summer break, I would like to reflect with you on the readings we hear this weekend.

Sometimes I think that we Christians forget that God's promise is from ancient times. Even before the Chosen People, before Moses and Aaron, and before the Covenant based on the law, there was the promise that God made to Abraham. Because this one man had the gift of faith and believed in God's promises to him and to his descendants, we have become heirs to something so much greater than what was originally promised.

The author of the Letter to the Hebrews tells us that in their lifetimes, Abraham and his descendants did not receive what they had been promised. But their hopes were realized through faith because God gave them "a better homeland, a heavenly homeland" a homeland which exceeded all their expectations. That is our promised inheritance as well.

In the passage from Saint Luke's gospel, Jesus tells us that we have no need to fear, because the "Father has been pleased to give us the kingdom... and that we have an inexhaustible treasure in heaven."

Jesus wants us to set our hearts on that treasure and not on some lesser things that will not last. The key to all of this, of course, is faith. Do we believe the promises of Jesus the way that Abraham, our father in faith, believed in God's promises to him and to his descendants?

In the gospel passage, Jesus tells his followers a parable about a prudent, faithful steward who knew that the master was coming and so he prepared for his return.

We have been told that our Lord and Savior will be coming again. We cannot pretend to be ignorant of that fact. But are we prepared for his return? Are we living in expectation of his coming again? These are the questions that all of us must answer for ourselves. We must keep in mind Jesus' warning to Peter, "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more."

Let us think about that for a moment. Let us examine where we are in our lives in light of what we are supposed to be doing as Christians.

God bless you all!

Love,
+*Father Marty*

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, August 7, 2022**

Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19;
Luke 12:32-48.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2022

Regular Collection \$8,026

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REMINDER

You can make your Sunday contribution online through WESHARE. Visit our parish website olmnj.org and click Online Giving to sign up. You may find our online giving program an easy way to continue to support your parish during the Sundays you may be away.

Annual Appeal ^{the 2022}

The Annual Appeal supports the many mission and ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark. The Appeal also funds services that benefit all the parishes of the Archdiocese including our own.



This year's goal for our parish is **\$42,120**. There is a **100%** rebate of every dollar collected above our goal. Currently, donors from OLM have pledged **\$51,281** and **\$44,486** has been received. Please continue to be generous as always!

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names of the sick are published for four weeks. Contact the office to add a name or request that it be continued.

Week Two

Janelle Thomas

Week Three

Deacon Meynard Espeleta

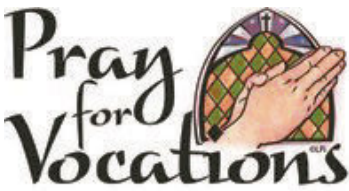
Week Four

Erwin Reyes, Dennis Reyes,
Joan Zanotti, Nanette Limpo



BE A PRAYER MATE FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

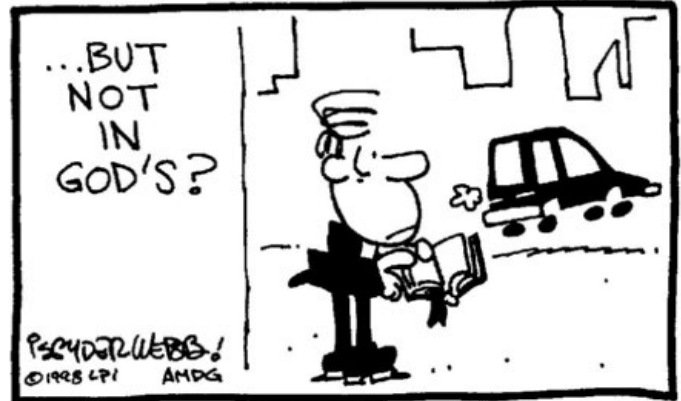
We invite you to join us every Wednesday morning immediately after our 8:30 am Mass to pray the Holy



Rosary for an increase of vocations to the priesthood. As Jesus told us, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the

master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." (Luke 10:2)

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



OUR YOUNG ADULT CHOIR/MINISTRY AT OLM



Veronica Rivera, Margarete Rivera, Florence Villa, Katrina Origenes, and Tiffany Esteban, members of our Youth/Young Adult Choir/Ministry pose with Liam Barredo (Director of Music Ministries) and Krystelle Pring (Assistant Director).

Anyone who might be interested in joining this musical group should speak to Liam or Krystelle after Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY, August 6, Transfiguration of the Lord

5pm Zenaida A. Navarro r/b Chit de la Rama

SUNDAY, August 7, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Concepcion E. Del Rosario (Death Anniversary)

r/b Bobby & Hanelli Del Rosario

10am Jaimee Figueras (Birthday Blessing)

r/b Vickie Figueras

12pm For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, August 8

7am Vincent Longo r/b Olga Fraraccio

8:30am Michele Meluso (Birthday in Heaven)

r/b Ann Kowalski

TUESDAY, August 9

7am Lorenzo Balintona r/b Edgar Balintona

8:30am Jeng Villa (Birthday Blessing)

WEDNESDAY, August 10

7am Jane Jun (Birthday Blessing)

8:30am Edgardo Balatbat (Birthday in Heaven)

r/b Betty Padilla

THURSDAY, August 11

7am Ching Palanca (Death Anniversary)

r/b Tony & Claire Pormento

8:30am Margaret Luna (Birthday in Heaven)

r/b Kowalski Family

FRIDAY, August 12

7am Purgatorial Society

8:30am Paquita Manalansan r/b Connie Pura

SATURDAY, August 13

5pm Clecia Palumbo r/b Jean & Al Comunale

SUNDAY, August 14, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Joseph Kim (Birthday Blessing)

10am Francisca & Isidoro Escarez

r/b Gatchalian Family

12pm For the People of the Parish

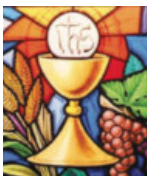
SANCTUARY LAMP

The lamp burning over our tabernacle in the Church is given **In Memory of Trinidad Reyes.**



BREAD & WINE

The offering for the Bread to be used this week at our Masses is given for **Michelle Meluso (Birthday in Heaven)** r/b Patricia, Michael & Bobbie Meluso.



The offering for the Wine to be used this week at our Masses is offered **In Memory of the Deceased of Our Lady of Mercy Parish Family.**

PARISH INFORMATION

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon

Weekday Masses

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every First Friday of the month from 9 am until 12 noon.

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.

HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese takes very seriously all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious and lay staff. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims.. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Protection of the Faithful at (201)407-3256.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE LORD!

We are currently looking for additional young people to become part of our altar server ministry here in the parish. According to the guidelines of the Bishops of the United States, *“Servers carry the cross, the processional candles, hold the book for the priest, carry the incense and censer, present the bread, wine, and water to the priest during the preparation of the gifts or assist him when he receives the gifts from the people, wash the hands of the priest, assist the priest celebrant and deacon as necessary. Servers respond to the prayers and dialogues of the priest along with the congregation. They also join in singing the hymns and other songs of the liturgy.”*

We are grateful to those who will step forward and volunteer to serve our Lord and our parish as Altar Servers. We also appreciate parents and other adults who encourage the young people in their lives to volunteer to fill this role at Mass.

Sign-up sheets are available in the vestibule of the church. You can submit the completed forms to the Parish Office or give them to Father Marty or Father Andrew. If you have any questions, please speak to one of the priests. We will soon be posting a schedule for the training sessions for those who volunteer to become Altar Servers.



REMINDER OF OUR COLLECTION PROCEDURE

As mentioned previously, we have returned to our former way of collecting your offerings a Mass. **After the Creed and General Intercessions, those at Mass are invited to come forward with their financial donations and place them in the baskets at the head of each aisle.** As we come forward, we can remember that the Lord not only wants us to offer our money but to also our lives in service to Him and his Church.

Those using WESHARE, our online giving service, are welcome to join the procession of those coming forward to the baskets. If they wish, they may place a collection envelope, note, or card in the basket indicating their use of online giving.



Register Today - Faith Formation

The OLM Faith Formation Program is for children in from Grade 1 to Grade 8.

New students must submit a copy of their baptismal certificate. Returning students must register at the beginning of each school year. Register online now at our parish website olmnj.org For inquiries, please contact Jeng Matias-Villa at **201-434-7500 ext. 102** or email her at reginavilla@olmnj.org

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