

FEBRUARY 5, 2012
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Masses for the Week

Monday, February 6, 2012

8:00am – Domenic Iaconianni

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

8:00am – Mary R. Usilton

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

8:00am – Bruno Jachna

Thursday, February 9, 2012

8:00am – Tony Iovine

Friday, February 10, 2012

8:00am – Jim and Vince Sullivan

Saturday, February 11, 2012

8:00am – Seamus McCaffery

5:00pm – Parishioners of Our Lady of Ransom Parish



Join Us In the Celebration of the Eucharist:

✠ Saturday Vigil Mass ~ 5:00pm

✠ Sunday Masses ~ 9:00am and 11:00am

*(12:15pm Deaf Mass in the Chapel on the 1st & 3rd Sundays;
the 11am regular Mass is interpreted on 2nd & 4th Sundays.)*

✠ Ordinary Time Weekday Masses ~ 8:00am Monday to Saturday

✠ Holy Days ~ Vigil Mass at 7:00pm and Holy Day Mass is
at 6:30am and 10:00am on Holydays of Obligation

✠ Eucharist is brought to the sick & infirmed as requested

The Celebration of Reconciliation ~ All Saturdays from 4-4:45pm. Confessions also on Sundays 8:15-8:45am, and by appt.

The Celebration of Baptism ~ celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Baptisms also done during Sunday Mass. Please contact the Rectory at least 4 months prior to Baptism.

The Celebration of Anointing of the Sick ~ members of the community facing sickness or disease are invited to celebrate the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the Rectory.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults ~ members of our community are invited to discern God's call to full membership in the Catholic Church through the RCIA. Prayer, discussion and study will aid your journey to the Lord. Contact the Rectory at any time.

The Celebration of Marriage ~ couples called by God to this sacrament should contact a priest at least six months prior.

Devotions:

✠ *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* ~ Monday through Friday 8:30am to 8pm. Closed Saturdays and Sundays.

✠ *Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Ransom* ~ each week following the 8:00am Mass

✠ *The Rosary* ~ Monday to Saturday 7:30am in the Chapel

✠ *1st Friday of each month Novena of the Sacred Heart* ~ 7pm Chapel

Parish Religious Education ~ offered for students in our public school system each Sunday of the school year from 9:45am to 10:55am in school. Please contact the Rectory at 215-332-6166.

New Parishioners ~ you are most welcome to full and active participation in our parish community. Please call for appointment.

HIDE AND GO SEEK!

In this week's Gospel, the apostles are looking for Jesus. How did they get separated? St. Mark tells us that early in the morning before the sunrise, Jesus went off to a deserted place to pray.

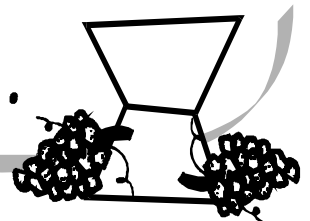
I love this lesson about our Lord! He did not go to send an e-mail. He did not go to watch cable or rent a video. He did not even go off to read a good novel or to write a letter. Jesus went off to a lonely place to pray. What a lesson our Lord teaches us! He needed to be alone in prayer. If He needed this time in prayer, how much more does each one of us need this time alone with the Lord?

The Church takes this seriously and so the Clergy and Religious all make vows to pray alone with the Lord every day. I love to pray in a Chapel or Parish Church wherever I have been stationed. Here at Our Lady of Ransom, I try to go to our Chapel at least once a day to be alone with the Lord. This is the first parish in my life that has Daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This is a special source of strength for me and our parish. But with it comes the obligation to spend time in prayer before The Most Blessed Sacrament. Our Chapel is open for nearly fifteen hours every day, Mondays through Fridays. Please come and spend time with our Lord in Chapel so that we can continue to provide this time of adoration.

Jesus went to other towns to preach after he had prayed. In these modern times, it is rare to hear the echo of Jesus' preaching in the work place or public square. But in the words of Jesus, "That is what I came to do." Only when we take the time to be with the Lord can we then have the strength and courage to spread the message of the Lord.

Our Lady of Ransom, Shine Forth Jesus,
Father Sodano

Seek God...



call God's name.

STEWARDSHIP AT OLOR

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

JANUARY 28th/29th, 2012

\$8,158.00

Our goal of \$8,650.00 is necessary to meet all of our expenses each week (only \$492.00 short last week).

FATHER LARKIN MSGR. DOLAN FUND

In memory of Lola Aquilino, from the OLOR Senior Citizens.

OLOR YOUTH GROUP will be having a Bake Sale after all Masses NEXT weekend, February 11th/12th. Please stop by for some goodies! Thanks!

NEWLY FORMED BEREAVEMENT TEAM is looking for people who would be interested in serving the needs of our parish in this ministry. If interested, please see a team member in the back of Church NEXT weekend, Feb. 11/12 or call the Rectory at 215-332-6166. Thanks!

INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE REGISTRATION

is over – players will get a call from their coach about their first practice soon. Games start Feb. 18th. Call Karen with questions at 215-708-2538.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, ESPECIALLY....

Helen Aigbokhaevbo, Pedro Alvarado, Linda Bamberger, Sister Barbara Browne, Ellen Buckley, Jane Caputo, Rosemarie Campagna, Marty Ciambrone, Mary Cerkez, Sophia Chin, Anna & Annemarie Ciccone, Stephen Cifelli, Sam Cimino, Peg Clark, Charlotte Crane, Pat Cosgrove, Virginia Costine, Anne Coyle, Nancy Coyle, Robert Davenport, Carol Davis, Gina Douglas, Velia DiCicco, Patricia & Joe Doody, John Dorsey, Bruce-Mark-Rita Drzewicki, Barbara DeLuca, Betty Ann Duffy, Agnes Eckles, Edward & Mary Elisio, Chi Chi Encarnado, Joe Gillespie, Scott Endy, Felino Encarnado, Gina Endy, George Escobar, Virginia Fagan, Joe Feliz, Donna Foley, Christine Flood, Mary Gallo, Liz Fogerty, Sam Franzone, Pat Gallagher, Tracy Gatto, Pat Gallagher, Carla Gillespie, Austin & Jocelynn Goodchild, Kathryn Gottshall, Kathy Grace, Lucy Griffin, Ed Jacobs, Brian Jaffe, Frances Juchno, Vera Jones, Peg Jordan, Seamus Kearney, Gail Kosyla, Regina M. Kozul, Rose Kozul, Debra Kratky, Patrick Larson, Stacy Limongelli, Patti Lucas, Thomas Lund, Marge Lyman, Paul & Connie Marafino, Helga Marren, Holly Martin, Rev. James Martin, Pat Martino, Roy Mayer, Michelle McGee, Bill Miller, Kay Mitchell, Noel Momain, Marie Moore, Helen Moran, Walt Murphy, Jule O'Brien, Teresa Ortiz, Anthony Oswald, Catherinc Pardo, Linda Pardo, Marian Perlsweig, Danielle Pesut, Anna Pittore, Elaine Prather, Ray Rachel, Lezli Rios, Sally Rodgers, Mary Schaffer, Gregg Schneider, Theresa Schultz, Catherine Schweiger, Joseph Schweitzer, Alice Sengal, , Rosemarie Seyboth, Karen Shire, Murray Snyder, Luke Spinelli, Richard Starr, Nicholas Sullivan, Bill Sweeney, Joan Thornton, Dolores Tomczuk, Jack Tomczuk, Kim Truitt, Arnold Valdino, Mike Walls, Marge Weil, Carl Westhafer, Ervin Wible III, Ervin Wible IV, Frank Wisniewski, Lisa Woods, Don Young, Michael Young, Donald Young, Jenna Young

*Please pray for all of the deceased...
Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord*

SANCTUARY CANDLES AND BREAD & WINE MEMORIAL FOR THIS WEEK (February 5th thru 11th, 2012)

The Sanctuary Candles in the Church burn:

*In memory of Charles DeNofa,
requested by Grace McGuirl*

The Sanctuary Candles in the Chapel burn:

*In memory of Helen Toczykowski,
requested by The Milczarek Family*

The candles of the Blessed Mother Altar burn:

*In memory of my mother, Marie Wambold,
requested by Marie T. Wambold*

The candles of the Saint Joseph Altar burn:

*In memory of Thomas D'Alessandro,
requested by The Milczarek Family*

The Bread & Wine at Mass is being provided:

*In memory of Lucy Ciccotelli,
requested by Mr. & Mrs. F. Scallatino and
Mr. & Mrs. M. Ziccardi*

LENTEN PREVIEW

Lent is right around the corner ~ you know how quickly time flies! **Ash Wednesday is on February 22nd** ~ Masses will be at 6:30am, 8:00am & 7:00pm on Ash Wednesday. Once again this year, **Lenten weekday Masses** will be Mondays thru Thursdays at 8:00am and 7:00pm, and Fridays at 8:00am. **Stations of the Cross** will take place on the five Fridays in March at 7:00pm. There will also be **Confessions** every Friday in March at 6:30pm, prior to Stations of the Cross. Please join us!

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES AT OLOR

The corporal works of mercy: Matthew 25:31-46

- Reaching out across the globe from OLOR Church Narthex... **Fair Trade Event** which is coming March 3rd/4th. More details to follow.
- **Lenten Faith-Sharing Groups** ~ check next week's bulletin for an "insert" with more info!
- **Mary Mother of Captives (MMOC) Pen Pal Program** ~ "You can save a soul with a pen." I was in prison and you visited me...*Matthew 25:36*
- **Rice Bowls** ~ faith-based ministry that distributes Rice Bowls to Church congregations to raise money and help to alleviate world hunger. Rice Bowls will be given out at OLOR on Ash Wednesday and the first weekend of Lent (to be returned on Palm Sunday weekend).

More details about these events will follow!

**“LAST-MINUTE” CHANCE FOR
MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE TICKETS
AT OUR LADY OF RANSOM**

*WITHOUT A CUE PRODUCTION COMPANY
WILL PERFORM THE ‘WHODUNNIT’ MYSTERY
SHOW ENTITLED “LUCY, I’M DEAD”
(based on the star Lucille Ball)*

**NEXT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2012
6:15PM DINNER FOLLOWED BY SHOW**

**TICKETS ARE ONLY \$25pp!
THEY ARE ON SALE ONLY UNTIL THIS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6th!
(must be 21 years or older)**

Price includes:

ticket for show, buffet dinner, soda and coffee.

Tickets will NOT be sold at the door!

Call Marian at the Rectory (215-332-6166) **by this
Monday** to purchase your tickets – after that, it’ll
be too late since the caterer needs our headcount!
Don’t miss out on this fun & entertainment!

OLOR FOOD CUPBOARD *Our Food Cupboard
is available on Thursdays from 10am-2pm at the
Rectory to those in need. Donations are greatly
accepted at the Rectory Mondays thru Thursdays
9am-4pm (coffee, cereal, pasta & tuna are in great
need, as well as monetary donations). Thank you!*

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Free Parent Education Sessions are at CORA
Services on Verree Road for parents of kids ages 6-10
for 12 weeks on Thursday nights beginning Feb. 9th; call
215-342-7660.

CareGivers Support Group to provide support, info and
fellowship for caregivers is at St. Katherine of Siena on
Frankford Ave. on Feb. 23, March 29 and April 26 from
7-9pm in McBride Hall. Call 215-632-4015.

Night at the Races is at Presentation BVM Parish on
Saturday, Feb. 25th at 7pm. Cost is \$15 and includes
food, beverages (beer & set-ups) and entrance. There
will be Wheels of Chance and card games plus 10 video
horse races. Call Margie at 215-805-6928.

Charismatic Healing Mass is on Friday, Feb. 17th at St.
Martha Church beginning at 6:45pm. All are welcome.
If you have questions, call Bobbie at 215-637-5441.

Immaculate Mary Home on Holme Avenue invites you
to their workshop ~“Help Yourself to Health” on Feb. 8,
22, 29, March 7, 14 from 10am-12:30pm. Call Justine to
register or with questions at 215-992-1858.

Tatiana (Tajci) will be at Nazareth H.S. to perform a
powerful musical adaptation of the crucifixion on March
5th at 7pm in their school auditorium. All are welcome.

BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

The American Red Cross and **81 patients** in
Philadelphia metropolitan area hospitals extend their
thanks and appreciation to our parishioners and
neighbors who gave the gift of life by donating **27 pints**
of blood on January 25th. However, our nation’s blood
supplies are still critically low. Call the American Red
Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule a blood donation
at their center at Rhawn St. & the Boulevard. Thanks!

FINANCE MEETING is on Monday, Feb. 6th at
7:00pm in the Rectory.

EXTENDED PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
is on Monday, Feb. 13th at 7:00pm in Rm. 5.

LETTER OF ELIGIBILITY ~ Be Prepared and Informed!

You get a call from a relative or friend, and they want
YOU to be a godparent for their newborn or they
want YOU to be a sponsor for Confirmation. They tell
you, “You need a letter from your parish.” **What is it?**

A “Letter of Eligibility” is a document verifying that you are
“eligible” to be a sponsor for someone being baptized or
confirmed. To be eligible means that you must meet the
following conditions...if you don’t, then you are not eligible.

- You are registered as a parishioner of Our Lady of Ransom Parish.
- You are a practicing Catholic who attends Mass every weekend and all holy days.
- You have received your Initiation Sacraments (Baptism and Confirmation).
- You are 16 years old or older (unless permission is given if under 16 by parish priest).
- If married, you were married according to the laws of the Catholic Church.
- If you are over 21, you must be registered on your own in the parish (not with your parent).

NEXT WEEKEND’S LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 11, 2012 at 5:00pm

Lectors ~ Donna Olsen and Mike Ziccardi
Altar Servers ~ J.Razler, K.Tran, M.Chermak, K.Goldstein
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion ~ Sister Frances,
Ronnie O’Reilly, Art Salvagno, Bob Lightcap

Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 9:00am

Lectors ~ Andrew Krayger and Ellen Brown
Altar Servers ~ B.Le, B.Gillard, D.Gillard, P. Jamora
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion ~ John Horn,
Jeffrey Gillard, Tom McCann, Rita McCann

Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 11:00am

Lectors ~ Nicholas Haldis and Matteo Bittner
Altar Servers ~ A.Sanchez, C.Struga, J.Danella, S.Smith
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion ~ Linda Smith,
Joann Bollendorf, Rudy Bittner, Theresa Bittner

