

JANUARY 8, 2012



Masses for the Week

Monday, January 9, 2012

8:00am – Rev. Paul Larkin

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

8:00am – Thomas John Rozniakowski

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

8:00am – Anthony Tague

Thursday, January 12, 2012

8:00am – Rita Guarino

Friday, January 13, 2012

8:00am – Terry Prato

Saturday, January 14, 2012

8:00am – Seamus McCaffery



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, as of 11/26/11.
- ✠ 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.

Today is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of Our Lord. This word means a revelation or unveiling of some special event. This week is the unveiling of the Blue Ribbon Commission for the Archdioceses of Philadelphia. As my article went to press prior to the sixth of January, I can only make comments without knowledge of Friday's meeting. Our Archbishop, Charles Chaput, has prepared us for this epiphany. I believe the Lord Jesus has put a man in place that is both compassionate and capable of making the right decisions, with the strength to see the best plan to its completion. We need to give him our support and prayers at this time.

In the scripture story of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus, we find a plan of God unfolding. This plan has been one that has been given the greatest scrutiny in history. Yet, who among us would dare to change one piece of this story of our salvation. Had we been alive at that time, we would probably have insisted on better lodging for the Holy Family. We would have planned for someone other than shepherds to announce the appearance of the choir of angels. We would have had a bigger procession and presentation of gifts than those of the Magi. We may have even called in the army to stop the slaughter of the Holy Innocents by King Herod. But we are not called to do these things.

However, we can help to serve the poor families of our day. There are families that are out of work or in need of help for things like tuition money for a Catholic school student, to even more essential things like rent or mortgage payments. We can try to help. Who would have believed a group of poor shepherds from first century Palestine would announce the glories of God? Who will listen to a group of Catholic priest "shepherds" proclaim the glories of God to the people of Philadelphia in the year 2012? Finally, we cannot protect the Holy Innocents of Bethlehem in the first century, but we can help to protect the unborn innocents of the twenty-first century.

We see we are living out God's plan now. We only need to trust in the plan that has been revealed to us both in history past and in history present. We are called to be open to God's Epiphany in our lives.

Our Lady of Ransom, Shine forth Jesus,
Father Sodano

STEWARDSHIP AT OLOR

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

DECEMBER 17th/18th, 2011

\$6,855

Our goal of \$8,650.00 is necessary to meet all of our expenses each week (\$1,795.00 short that week).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR OLOR WEEKEND PARISH RETREAT

Come & Experience the Joy of the Lord!

Who: Men and Women in OLOR Parish

When: March 9th, 10th, 11th

Where: Spirituality Center at Immaculata

Directed By: Father Redcay

More details will follow in upcoming bulletins!

(\$50 deposit will hold your spot; contact Sue at Rectory.

This retreat is open first to parishioners; spaces limited.)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, ESPECIALLY....

Lola Aquilino, Helen Aigbokhaevbo, Pedro Alvarado, Linda Bamberger, Sister Barbara Browne, Ellen Buckley, Eleanor Campellone, Jane Caputo, Rosemarie Campagna, Marty Ciambrone, Mary Cerkez, Sophia Chin, Anna Marie 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, 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 and Jocelynn Goodchild, Kathryn Gottshall, Lucy Griffin, Ed Jacobs, Brian Jaffe, Frances Juchno, Vera Jones, Peg Jordan, Seamus Kearney, Bernadine Kintzer, Gail Kosyla, Regina M. Kozul, Rose Kozul, Patrick Larson, Stacy Limongelli, Patti Lucas, Thomas Lund, Paul & Connie Marafino, Rev. James Martin, Roy Mayer, Betty McFadden, Michelle McGee, Marie McNichol, Bill Miller, Kay Mitchell, Noel Momain, Marie Moore, Helen Moran, Walt Murphy, Jule O'Brien, Teresa Ortiz, Anthony Oswald, Linda Pardo, Marian Perlsweig, Danielle Pesut, Anna Pittore, Elaine Prather, Ray Rachel, Lezli Rios, Sally Rodgers, Ed Savage, 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, 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..

CHRIS CARABAJAL

MARY KONOWAL CAMILLO SERANO

JOHN DUDEN IV VERONICA SUDUL

HELEN TOCZYLOWSKI

THOMAS D'ALESSANDRO

ALEXANDER HANUSEY

Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord

SANCTUARY CANDLES AND BREAD & WINE MEMORIAL FOR THIS WEEK (January 8th thru 14th, 2012)

The Sanctuary Candles in the Church burn:

In memory of Dorothy Zimmer,

requested by OLOR Home & School Association

The Sanctuary Candles in the Chapel burn:

In loving memory of Philip Pittore,

requested by Rita Pittore

The candles of the Blessed Mother Altar burn:

In loving memory of Theresa Robinson-Clarke,

requested by Mom, Dad, Catherine and Sean

The candles of the Saint Joseph Altar burn:

In memory of Raymond Vozzelli,

requested by Joann Jordan

The Bread & Wine at Mass is being provided:

For the Special Intentions of Brian Jaffe,

requested by Dot Reilly

JANUARY MEETINGS AT RANSOM:

Senior Citizens ~ January 9th and 23rd

Parent Meetings ~ Penance Parent Meeting on Jan. 11th and First Communion Parent Meeting on Jan. 18th (both at 7:00pm in the Chapel)

Extended Pastoral Council ~ January 17th at 7:00pm in Room 5

Liturgy Meeting ~ January 18th at 7:00pm

Adult Faith Formation ~ January 30th at 7:00pm

OLOR Pastoral Staff ~ January 31st at 7:00pm

OUR LADY OF RANSOM FOOD CUPBOARD

Our Food Cupboard at Our Lady of Ransom Rectory is available **Thursdays from 10am-2pm** to those who need assistance. If you are able to donate, contributions can be dropped off to the Rectory any weekday from 9am-6pm. **OLOR Parish would like to thank anyone who has donated food of any kind to our Food Cupboard!**

MANY, MANY, MANY, MANY THANKS... FOR ALL THE HELP AT CHRISTMAS!!!

Thanks so much to everyone who participated in all the preparations and events at Christmas time! The Church was decorated beautifully; the music has been absolutely terrific; thanks to all those who gave toward our Christmas and Flower Donations; etc. Our Lady of Ransom is blessed to have so many generous people giving their Time & Talent for such joyous events! Everything was greatly appreciated! Wishing all of our Ransom families, extended families and friends a happy and healthy New Year!

Gratefully, Fr. Sodano and Fr. Ed

MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE
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)

Actors will be equipped with microphones.

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

TICKETS ARE ONLY \$25pp ~
THEY ARE ON SALE NOW!

(must be 21 years or older)

Price includes:

ticket for show, buffet dinner, soda and coffee.

Advance Tickets Needed ~ they will not
be sold at the door.

(If you wish, tables of 8 or 10 can be reserved at the time of purchase.)

Call Marian at the Rectory (215-332-6166)
weekdays to arrange for ticket purchases at your
convenience, or e-mail olorbulletin@yahoo.com, or
stop by the Rectory weekdays from 9am-4pm.

(Tickets will be sold after Masses on Jan. 21/22)

MSGR. JOSEPH McGLINN EDUCATION FUND

In memory of Cindy Juiliano, from The O'Shea Family.
In memory of Helen Toczylowski, from The O'Shea
Family.
In memory of Tom D'Alessandro, from The O'Shea
Family.



*On this feast of the Epiphany, whether you live
alone or with friends or family, pray a blessing on
the place you call home. Here's an example:*

**Be my shelter, Lord, when I am at home, my
companion when I am away, and my welcome
guest when I return. And at last, receive me into
the dwelling place you have prepared for me in
your Father's house, where you live
forever and ever. Amen.**

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR:

Ashlee Edwards who is in the Marine Corps, cur. stateside
Joseph A. Danella (US Navy), currently stateside in HI
Kenneth Keisler in the US Army, re-deployed to Afghanistan
Michael Sellers who is in the U.S. Army currently stateside
David Noe who is in the US Marine Corps currently stateside
Todd Beecher who is in the US Air Force, currently stateside
Shawn Mattison Jr. who is serving in Iraq
Michael O'Rourke who is in the U.S. Army, in Iraq
Christopher Flower who is in the Marines in Afghanistan
Joseph Mullin in the US Marine Corps, currently stateside
Joseph Baran who is in the US Air Force, currently stateside
Joseph Geiss who is in the US Navy, currently in Italy
Lisa Borek who is a Sargeant in the US Army currently in Iraq
Brian Wallace who is in the US Army currently stateside
Brian O'Shea who is in the US Marines in Afghanistan
Todd Endy who is in the US Army, currently in Afghanistan
Nisha Marrero who is in the US Army currently in Iraq
Bill Townsend who is in the US Marines, currently in Iraq
Ian Austin who is in the US Army, currently stateside
Michael Quinn who is in the US Army in Afghanistan
Kimberly Drzewicki who is in the US Army in Iraq
Krista Zielinski who is in the US Marines
Efrain Oyola who is in the US Army in Savannah, GA
Jude Cooke who is in the US Army currently in Iraq
Vincent Sodano who is in the US Army in Afghanistan
James Rice who is in the US Army, currently stateside

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2012

*WILL YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE? Donating one pint of
blood could mean the difference between life and death for
up to 3 adults, children, servicemen or servicewomen. Your
time and donation really do count! Many family members,
friends and neighbors are counting on you. All who are
more than 16 years old, and weigh at least 110 pounds, are
healthy, and have not given blood in the past two months
are encouraged to give. We invite you to give the gift of life
at **Our Lady of Ransom Parish Hall from 2:00 to 7:15pm**
on Wednesday, January 25, 2012. For an appointment
(appointments are preferred), please call Janet at 215-535-
3329. Thank you!*

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL will be at OLOR
Parish on Saturday, January 21, 2012 from 9am-2pm,
collecting donations of usable clothing. They will also
accept small household goods (bed and bath linens, pots &
pans, dishes, cooking utensils, shoes and books). Small
appliances in good working order are also accepted. (No
baby equipment...just clothing.) Thank you!

