



*Jesus Christ is Resurrected*

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**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

The Rectory is open for business  
Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m.  
to 4:30 p.m.

Weeknights, Saturdays and Sun-  
days are by previously arranged  
appointment only.

Please call in advance for  
Registration appointments or  
Letters of Eligibility.

# OUR LADY OF CHARITY

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

BROOKHAVEN, PENNSYLVANIA

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**Mass Schedule:**

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 5:15 pm — Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass: Monday through Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (on the actual day)

Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day: 9:00 a.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Mass

**Confession:**

Saturdays: 7:30 to 8 a.m.; 4:15 to 5 p.m.; and other times by appointment.

**Baptism:**

The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated on the First and Third Sundays of each month at Noon. Please call the Rectory and speak to the parish priest to register. First-time parents and godparents are expected to attend a pre-baptismal formation session, which is offered on the second Sunday of the month in the Church after the 10:30 a.m. Mass as needed. To register for session, please call parish secretary before first Friday of each month.

**Marriage:**

Couples planning to be married should contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance of the intended wedding date. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation program is required in accord with Archdiocesan Policy.

**Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion:**

The parish priests are happy to assist anyone who wishes to receive the anointing of the sick, or to receive Holy Communion. Special Ministers of Holy Communion also assist in taking Holy Communion to those parishioners who are unable to get to Mass. For more information, kindly call the Rectory.

**Catholic School Policy**

School-aged children of OLC attend may attend either **Holy Family Regional Catholic School** in Aston or **Notre Dame de Lourdes Catholic School** in Swarthmore. Our Parish does subsidize Catholic education for all parishioners of OLC who are active and contributing members of the Parish. **Please note:** Since our Parish School closed abruptly in June 2011, our school families began attending several Catholic elementary schools in the area. In fairness to those children currently attending the other schools, however, we will consider them "grandfathered" and continue to subsidize their education in accordance with the policy about attendance and parish support.

Children who attend Public School are requested to register in our **PREP** Program beginning in first grade to seventh grade. PREP meets on Tuesday evenings from September to May from 6:30

**Our New Parish Mission Statement**

*We, the members of Our Lady of Charity Catholic Church, are devoted to building the Kingdom of God in our neighborhoods. Relying on the example of Mary, the first and best disciple, and our parish Patroness, we strive to encourage and promote discipleship by making her Son Jesus present to all through Word, Sacrament, love and service.*

April 19, 2015  
 Third Sunday of Easter  
 April is the Month of the Sorrowful Mother

**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

**NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2015**  
 5:15 P.M. Millicent McNelly

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015**  
 5:15 p.m. Domenic and  
 Conchetta Cicconi

**SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. William Platt  
 3rd Anniversary  
 10:30 a.m. Edward Small

**SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. Living Members of  
 St. Vincent de Paul Society  
 10:30 a.m. Anna Dudek

**MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. Pro Populo

**TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. Jennie Earo

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. Catherine O'Malley  
 17th Anniversary

**THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. Geraldine Cerami

**FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. Earl Autenreith

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015**  
 8:00 a.m. F. Clark Walton

**COLLECTION TOTALS AS DESCRIBED**

For Sunday, April 12: \$7,258.00  
 Number of Envelopes returned: 316  
 Number Attending Masses: 570

Easter Collection Talley: \$23,736.00  
 Number of Envelopes returned: 411

Easter Flower Collection Talley: \$3,898.00  
 Number of Envelopes returned: 218

Holy Land Collection Talley: \$1,199.00  
 Number of Envelopes returned: 74

Rice Bowl Talley: \$1,886.00  
 Number of Envelopes returned: 132

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## *Greetings from Father*

### **Parish May Queen: Miss Skylar Lynch**

I am happy to announce that Miss Skylar Lynch is this year's Parish May Queen. Skylar is a faithful Parishioner, an outstanding Altar Server and an 8th grade student who attends Notre Dame de Lourdes School. I am happy that Skylar will represent our Parish at the Mass on May 3rd and assist me in paying a great honor to Our Blessed Mother.

At the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, May 3rd, Skylar and our First Holy Communion Class will help us to honor our Blessed Mother at the beginning of her Month of May.

I invite you to make special arrangements to come to the 10:30 Mass, even if you normally come to Mass at another time. Please consider coming to the later Mass so that you too can be part of this wonderful Parish celebration. I am glad that our May Procession follows one day after our parish celebration of First Holy Communion. "Let the children come to me," Jesus says, because he knows that they will ever-need his love and grace. Mary always wants to show us the way to her Son and Our Lord. So it is fitting for us—as a parish—to celebrate the beginning Month of May as Mary's Month, and to do so with the solemnity fitting to her as She truly is: Queen of Heaven.

Refreshments will be served after the May Procession in the Church Hall.

### **Congratulations to Mr and Mrs. William Grogan, Parents of another Priest**

Please join me in extending congratulations to Bill and Nora and their Son, Jim, who is completing his seminary studies. Deacon Jim Grogan recently received his Call to Holy Orders for Priestly Ministry by his Bishop, Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M., Diocese of Trenton, NJ. His ordination to the priesthood is scheduled for early June.

A double blessing for Bill and Nora, soon to have two sons as Priests. Their son, Bill is Pastor of Saint Madeline/Holy Cross Parishes in the Germantown section of Philadelphia.

Pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood in our Archdiocese. Encourage your sons to become Priests for our Archdiocese.

*St. John Vianney, pray for Jim; Our Lady of Charity, pray for Jim*

### **Welcome To Our Newest Members of OLC**

On April 19, 2015, we welcome five new parishioners to our parish family. As part of the Reception in Full Communion that will take place during the 10:30 AM Mass, our candidates will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Taking a new name indicates that they are becoming "new creations" in the Lord. Joining our community are Rebecca **Paula** Nunez, John Rendall **Robert** Park, Tara **Rita** Park, John Rendall **Patrick** Park and Skylar **Barbara** Park. Please join in praying for our newest members as they weave their way into the fabric of Our Lady of Charity Parish. I am grateful to Father Williams, Mrs Eileen Wilson, our DRE, and our RCIA team for their dedicated efforts on behalf of the candidates.

## Reflections by Fr. Leonard Peterson

### Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2015

When they come, their rarity makes us reach out to grab them. But gently but with a firm grip, like we would nabbing a firefly on a summer evening. I refer to compliments. It's ironic that the toughest for many of us is accepting a compliment. But they do make us smile through our shyness.

But here's a question: What do you do if God gives you a compliment? How do we break through our shock and awe to acknowledge the honor? What do we do further? We have to answer those questions if for no other reason than our natural respect for our Creator and Lord.

Perhaps you missed the compliment given to us in today's Gospel passage, but it's there. It comes when Jesus tells His disciples (and us) that we are to be His witnesses. His "go to" people when He wants authentic witnesses to Him and His message to satisfy inquirers.

I mean that for right now, this April day in 2015. Remember, for God a thousand days are less than a blink of an eye. He is not held captive of time and place like we are. The pages of the Gospel are not meant to be filed in some dusty archive. Nor is their content aimed at an audience "back there" and not "right here."

The fancy word for this witnessing Christ asks of us is "evangelization." I know you have at least heard the word mentioned in church, or perhaps you have read about it. For some of us, that word has overtones that could intimidate us. Does it mean that I have to buy a soapbox and stand along Route 9 and start preaching? Absolutely not, although the novelty of doing that might stop traffic!

No, it's you and everything about you that does the witnessing. You don't have to say a word, although the way you talk and the words you use are part of the "package." Also the way you dress. The way you act. Your demeanor and your decisions. Even your diversions.

Then there's that crucifix visible in the family room. That BVM statue in your flower garden. Your noticeable habit of Mass at the parish every Sunday, or to another Catholic church when you're traveling. Your outreach to the needy and your volunteering for a parish effort of some kind. The positive difference you make to your neighborhood. Your smile. And when the time and the circumstances permit it, your faith-filled answer to that often unasked question from someone: "What makes you tick?"

*Dear Lord Jesus, I thank You for the compliment you give me in asking me to spread the word about Yourself. You are indeed the "good news" the world longs to hear, even if it can't express that longing.*

*For this mission, I give You my whole self, Lord, that You may grow in me, and tell me what to say and do.*

***For "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Amen. (Galatians 2:20)***

#### **Easter Flowers**

We are grateful for your generosity because it really did allow us to make our Church beautiful.

Please look in today's bulletin for the insert that lists all the Memorials that we received for our Easter flowers.

Please Pray for our Beloved Dead  
Kindly keep in your prayers:

**Irene Miller**

for the happy repose of her soul and for the consolation of her family and friends.



**Catholic Charities Appeal  
2015**

**“Giving Hope”  
“We are Called to bring hope  
by the love we bring  
to others”**

Archdiocesan Goal: \$10 Million, like last year.  
Campaign Style: Direct Mailing Campaign by  
Archdiocese

2015 OLC Parish Goal Amount: \$40,428  
To date for OLC: 171 gifts have been received,  
totaling **\$21,725** or **54%** of our total goal.

*Please make your contribution today. If every Reg-  
istered OLC Family would give \$24.35, we could  
easily reach our Goal. I have made my pledge and  
ask you to help our Parish. Sincerely, Father Izzo*

**Parish May Procession**

**Sunday, May 3  
At the 10:30 a.m. Mass**

*30 children from our parish will be making  
their First Holy Communion on Saturday,  
May 2. We invite all our First Holy Commu-  
nication Children and our teens who received the  
Sacrament of Confirmation in December to  
attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday. We  
will crown two images of our Blessed Mother:  
Our statue inside during Mass and at the Re-  
cessional, we will form a procession and gath-  
er outside for the crowning Our Lady of Char-  
ity on the front lawn. Afterwards, there will  
be refreshments in the Hall.*

**Prayers for the Sick**

Peter Adamonis, Carol Ash, Adele Blonski, Janet Bis-  
chof, Mary Ann Breen, Betty Burns, Richard Burns,  
Shawn Burns, Theresa Carlin, Patricia Cawley, Adriana  
Chalson, Mary Elizabeth Clark, Jean Curran, Josephine  
D’Amico, Robert DelPrato, Dolores DePrince, Maria  
DiPaola, Louis Finsterbusch, Ruth Ford, Alice Gordon,  
Betty Hart, Mary Layer, Elaine Loflin, John Overbeck,  
Sandy Partin, Ted Stahl, Susan Stairkoff, Mary Sutsko,  
Maryanne Talley, Joseph & Seraphine Traub, Adelaide  
Vernon, Mae Wassel, Shirley West, Michael Yerger

**7th Annual Spaghetti Dinner**

Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus  
(Our Lady of Rosary Council 3876)

on

**Sunday, April 19  
from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**  
in the Church Hall

Homemade Sauce *by The Knights*  
Homemade Meatballs *by Father Izzo,*  
*back by popular demand*

Rolls, Salad, Dessert, and Beverages

**Prices** *(same for the past five years)*

Adults:	\$8.00
Children 12 and under:	\$4.00
Family of four or more:	\$20.00

Tickets will be sold at the door.  
No Pre-Sale of tickets

**Attic Treasures**

Our 1st Attic Treasures was a great success. We wish to thank everyone who donated items and who came to the Church Hall to shop. Thanks to all our volunteers who worked so hard to make this event run smoothly; a special thank you to Grace Heslin who sorted, tagged and priced all the items. We realized a profit of \$1,213.15.

All of the items that did not sell were donated to the Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. (CAADC, Inc.). This agency assists families and individuals to move toward economic self-sufficiency and reduces their dependence on public support through their various programs. CAADC came to our Church Hall and took all of the items to their warehouse to be used by those in need who live in Delaware County.

*Auxiliary Bishop  
Archdiocese of Philadelphia*

*April 9, 2015*

*Dear Father Izzo,*

*Thank you for the warm welcome I received at Our Lady of Charity Parish when I visited and celebrated the Mass on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015. It was a pleasure to be with you and your parishioners. Please accept my thanks for your hospitality as well as for the Easter bread and your generous gift. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.*

*May God continue to bless your priestly ministry and may Mary, our Mother, watch over you always. Be assured of my prayers and continued support.*

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Most Reverend John J McIntyre  
Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia*

### **March for Marriage**

Saturday, April 25 in Washington, DC.  
On Capitol Grounds from 11:30 to 2 pm.  
Visit [www.marriagemarch.org](http://www.marriagemarch.org)

### **Charitians' Trip to Penns Peak Jim Thorpe, PA**

**Tuesday, June 2 for the show  
"Tribute to Sinatra"**

Featuring Hal MacIntyre Orchestra. Show, Luncheon and Transportation is \$85.00. Leave OLC at 9:45 AM and return approximately at 5:30 PM.

For details and reservations, call Joe at 610-874-0803.

All are welcome!

### **MBS LAST CHANCE REUNION**

Saturday, April 25 we will be sponsoring a last chance to tour all the school buildings only at Most Blessed Sacrament School starting in the gym from 1 to 4 pm with a scheduled Mass starting at 4 pm. You can purchase the tickets at the door for a donation of \$10.00. If you cannot attend, please consider making a donation to "Move the Grotto" fund, so we can pay for the cost of moving the statues to St. Francis de Sales. Please send checks to St. Francis de Sales, 4625 Springfield Ave., Phila., PA 19143. Attn: Father John Hand

## **Parish Calendar of Events**

### **Tuesday, April 21**

Legion of Mary, 5 pm, Rec. Conf. Room

PREP, 6:30 pm, School

Catholics Reaching Out, 6:30 pm, RMR

### **Wednesday, April 15**

Fresh Hope A.A., 5:30 pm, Rec. Mtg. Room

Scripture Class, 7 pm, Rec. Conf. Room

### **Sunday, April 26**

Youth Group, Mtg., 3-4 pm, Rec. Mtg. Room

### **Liturgical Ministers' Schedules for Next Weekend**

#### **Saturday, April 25, 5:15 p.m.**

Altar Servers: B. Stekowicz

Lector: Alice Kachelries

Special Ministers: Lynn McMonagle,

Janice Sawicki, Fred O'Malley



#### **Sunday, April 26, 8:00 a.m.**

Altar Servers: Tom Boyle

Lector: Diane Glatts

Special Ministers: Marie Miele,

Jim Heslin, Dolores Lavelle



#### **Sunday, April 26, 10:30 a.m.**

Altar Servers: A. & A. Mielechowsky

Lector: Doreen McGettigan

Special Ministers: Bob Losak,

Dominic DiFiore, Corinne O'Grady



## **Day of Reflection**

**Friday, May 1**

**Malvern Retreat House**

All parishioners are welcome to attend,  
call Jerry Gardner for Info at 610-876-0585.

*(Sponsored by OLC Charitians)*

### **World Meeting of Families**

Is coming to Philadelphia in September, 2015 and you can help!

Are YOU going to the  
World Meeting of Families?

Help us plan for this exciting event by taking our quick online survey about how you are getting to the World Meeting of Families! Please visit [worldmeeting2015.org](http://worldmeeting2015.org) on our Transportation page to take the survey.