



Charity's Lady, Crowned on May 3

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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.

May 24, 2015
Pentecost Sunday

The Month of May is Dedicated to the Blessed Mother

Heavenly Father, on this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace.

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY,	<u>MAY 24, 2015</u>
5:15 P.M.	Helen and Harry Rucker
SUNDAY,	<u>MAY 24, 2015</u>
8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
10:30 a.m.	Catherine Thompson, Frances Conte and Rose Bock
MONDAY,	<u>MAY 25, 2015</u>
9:00 a.m.	Roger Angeli
TUESDAY,	<u>MAY 26, 2015</u>
8:00 a.m.	Priest's Intention
WEDNESDAY,	<u>MAY 27, 2015</u>
No Mass	Priests' Convocation
THURSDAY,	<u>MAY 28, 2015</u>
No Mass	Priests' Convocation
FRIDAY,	<u>MAY 29, 2015</u>
8:00 a.m.	Margaret C. Flanagan
SATURDAY,	<u>MAY 30, 2015</u>
8:00 a.m.	F. Clark Walton

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES

SATURDAY,	<u>MAY 30, 2015</u>
5:15 p.m.	Mrs. Fedele McNelly
SUNDAY,	<u>MAY 31, 2015</u>
8:00 a.m.	Bert DeVirgilio 25th Annivesrsary
10:30 a.m.	William McGowan

COLLECTION TOTALS AS DESCRIBED

For Sunday, May 17:	\$7,782
Number of Envelopes returned:	286
Number Attending Masses:	447
Ascension Thursday:	\$1,609
Number of Envelopes returned:	130
Catholic Charities Collection:	\$430

Thank you for your generosity!

Memorial Day Holiday

Please remember all those who have served in the
Armed Services who sacrificed their lives to
protect our freedom.

**Mass tomorrow, Memorial Day, will be
celebrated at 9:00 AM.**

Greetings from Father Izzo

Mark you Calendars: June 7th: Crowning of the Sacred Heart

Please come to the 10:30 Mass on June 7 as we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Mr. Ryan Costigan, one of our 8th students will consecrate the Parish to the Sacred Heart.

Parish Meeting to Discuss the Future of our School Building

On **Wednesday, June 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church**, I cordially invite you to come to a presentation to discuss the future use of our Parish School Building. I have asked Mr. Bruce Morgan of BCM Affordable Housing to come and make a presentation to the Parish.

In speaking with the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils, they too, realize that we must now begin to discuss and look into the future use of the building. During the past 6 months, we have received a few serious inquires and I shared that information with you at Easter.

Please know there are many steps that must be completed before anything happens with our building. I always want what is best for the parish and I hope that you will assist me in making that happen as we now begin this process.

Our Baccalaureate Mass, Sunday June 7

I offer my congratulations for all our students who will be graduating grade school, high school or college. I would like to recognize you for your achievements at our annual Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, June 7. We will also entrust your future success to the intercession and protection of the Sacred Heart.

Joan has mailed letters to the children we know who are enrolled within the Catholic Education system; for others, we cordially invite you through this announcement, and the one that's been appearing the bulletin for the past few weeks.

There is more information in Joan's announcement in the bulletin about RSVP and wearing your gown during the entrance procession. Please see that ad for more info.

We look forward to you joining us, and hope you will do so.

Seven New Priests for our Archdiocese

On May 16, Archbishop Chaput ordained seven new priests for the Archdiocese: They are:

Rev. Daniel J. Arechabala, Rev. James Cardosi, Rev. Alexander R. Gibbs, Rev. Steven W. Kiernan, Rev. Addisalem T. Mekonnen, Rev. Kevin Mulligan, and Rev. Joseph S. Zaleski.

Please pray for these new priests

Reflections by Fr. Leonard Peterson
Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2015

For car aficionados “of a certain age” like me, a former customer of the auto companies is fondly remembered and missed. In those bygone days, the various companies would debut their new models for the year each September. In the weeks prior, “teaser” ads would appear in magazines, newspapers and showroom windows featuring the gleaming parts of the cars to come, while the bulk of the car would be draped until a pre-chosen date. Only then could we “Ooh” and “Ahh” the whole car, usually the top-of-the-line edition, as the company hoped for a rush to their dealerships for a buying frenzy. Nowadays, new models come out at any time, and despite the usual fanfare, that once-a-year excitement is long gone.

I thought of those memories as I contemplated the once a year celebration of the awesome coming of the Holy Spirit that first Pentecost. An “unveiling” of sorts with sound and fury with tongues of fire. With all of that came those wonderful gifts of the Spirit given to that early community, and now to us, the present day community of the Church. Those gifts are readily available with no cost to us but gratitude. Each of us is gifted in some way. Just like those various car models of old, our gifts differ one from the other. Together they make the Church better than it would be without them

Just think of what talented painters and sculptors do to enhance our natural lives. The same holds true for musicians from Hayden to hip-hop. People in the helping professions who come to our aid when sickness or sadness enter our lives. Then there are entertainers who make us laugh and generous people who give us hope.

The Spirit’s gifts go beyond all that and enrich our supernatural lives. Those tongues of fire prefigured the supercharged preaching of the Apostles, when foreigners of all kinds heard about Jesus that day in their native tongues and were set on fire to take up the faith.

This was all the result of the resurrection, when Jesus had come to that locked room and given the frightened disciples that incomparable gift of His peace. Note that He went right to the core matter of the forgiveness of sin, from which He had undergone torture and death to save us.

While the Church’s official Lenten season of repentance has come and gone, there is always the year ’round need to repent because sin knows no season and takes no holiday. God’s mercy enables us to become new models, not of cars but of Christian living, which never goes out of style.

Come Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful; enkindle in us the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Breath into our hearts, and we will be recreated in Your Image, and You will renew the face of the earth.

PRIESTS’ CONVOCATION

Archbishop Charles Chaput will assemble with the priests of the Archdiocese this coming week for a *Priests’ Convocation*, from May 26 through May 28, 2015. This *Priests’ Convocation* provides a unique opportunity for priestly fraternity and unity. It is also a time dedicated to prayer and reflection on the gift of the ministerial priesthood instituted by Christ for the Church. These days will include the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours and Holy Mass, as well as, talks on the theme, *The Priesthood Fully Engaged*, given by Matthew Kelly of the *Dynamic Catholic Institute*.

Please pray for our Archbishop, Auxiliary Bishops and Priests during the upcoming *Priests’ Convocation*. May this *Priests’ Convocation* bear fruit for our priests in holiness of life and of greater service to Christ and His Church.

In our area, Mass will be celebrated at the following places, due to their having regular retired Priests or extern Priests who assist there:

Wednesday and Thursday:

St. John Chrysostom, Wallingford, 7:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday and Thursday:

St. Katherine Drexel, Chester, 8:00 a.m. Mass

Come And Pray The Rosary With Us

Every Sunday through May 31st after the 10:30 AM Mass (on Sundays) in the Church, we invite you to come pray the Rosary with us for the following intentions:

- Evangelization of Our Lady of Charity Parish
- Families locally and throughout the world
- Any other special intentions

Our Lady promised many spiritual benefits to those who pray the Rosary, so come pray with us for 20 minutes. For more info, contact Corinne O’Grady at: crogrady@verizon.net or 610.745.7090 (cell)

Calling All OLC Parish Graduates

If you are graduating this year from 8th Grade, High School or College, we would like to recognize you at a Baccalaureate Mass on

**Sunday, June 7th
at 10:30 a.m. Mass**

If you would like, you can wear your gown from your school of graduation.

There will be refreshments in the Church Hall after Mass.

Graduation is a special occasion for you and we would like to honor you. Please join us.

If you would like to attend, please call Joan at the Rectory (610-872-6192 or email: olcharity@comcast.net) We would like to recognize the graduates that are attending. Please respond by Tuesday, June 2

Catholic Charities Appeal 2015



This Appeal is the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important fundraising initiative and continues to build on last year's success and reach out to the entire Catholic community of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The following services

and organizations that benefitted from Catholic Charities last year are: Catholic Social Services; Catholic Special Education; Skilled Care for Retired and Sick priests; Mission Parishes; Life, Family and Laity; cultural Ministries and Foundation Activities. Your ongoing support in 2015 is essential to the continued success of these vital missions.

If you have not yet given to this year's Appeal, please fill out a card and drop it in the collection or mail it to Catholic Charities.

Our parish goal is \$40,428 and so far 200 gifts have been received for a total of \$23,940 or 59% of our parish goal.

St. James High School Alumni Scholarship

Congratulations to Skylar Lynch, an 8th Grade Student at Notre Dame de Lourdes School who was awarded the "Charles and Margaret Wojciehowski Memorial Scholarship". This is a \$8,000 Scholarship (\$2,000 per year) which Skylar will use at Monsignor Bonner-Archbishop Prendergast High School.

Thank You

Many thanks to John and Janet Bischof who have graciously maintained the flower garden in front of Our Lady's statue in the front yard of the Church. They have planted, watered and weeded the flowers; it is beautiful to look at and we appreciate their work.

**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!

Prayers for the Sick

Peter Adamonis, Adele Blonski,, Mary Ann Breen, Betty Burns, Richard Burns, Shawn Burns, Theresa Carlin, Patricia Cawley,, Jean Curran, Josephine D'Amico, Robert DelPrato, Dolores DePrince, Maria DiPaola, Louis Finsterbusch, Ruth Ford, Alice Gordon, Betty Hart, Mary Layer, Elaine Loflin, "Pia" Maria Mattera, Sandy Partin, Ted Stahl, Mary Sutsko, Maryanne Talley, Joseph & Seraphine Traub, Adelaide Vernon, Mae Wassel, Shirley West.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING BUS TRANSPORTATION TO THE PAPAL MASS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

We want to find out how many of our parishioners would be interested in riding on a bus to the Papal Mass on September 27. The time has not been finalized. We need to know how many would be going on the bus before we proceed forward to reserve one.

Please call Joan at the rectory during business hours with your name and telephone number (610.872.6192) or email us at olcharity@comcast.net

Please respond as soon as possible.

Please consider that the buses may not be able to drop off close to the Mass area, so there may be walking involved. At this time, the plans have not been finalized so we do not know how far away the buses will be.

Parish Calendar of Events

Tuesday, May 26

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

Wednesday, May 27

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

Liturgical Ministers' Schedules for Next Weekend

Saturday, May 30, 5:15 p.m.

Altar Servers: B. Stekowicz
Lector: Len Jankauskas
Special Ministers: Marie Miele,
Janice Sawicki, Margaret Flanagan



Sunday, May 31, 8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Tom Boyle
Lector: Velma Clark
Special Ministers: Elizabeth Hermansen,
Antoinette Bonacquisti, Kathy DeJohn



Sunday, May 31, 10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: S. Lynch
Lector: Denise DiIorio
Special Ministers: Dolores O'Malley,
Bob Losak, John Moletteri



Love is Our Mission: The Family fully alive



World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015 | September 22-27, 2015

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 on our Transportation page to take the survey.

Volunteer

Your time and talent is valuable to the success of the WMOF. Here's an opportunity to be a part of it! Go to the volunteer page on <http://bit.ly/WMF2015Volunteer>. Questions regarding registration for volunteers can be sent to volunteersupport@worldmeeting2015.org

Host A Family

Please considering hosting a Family. Check the website for more information.