



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 31, 2015
Feast of The Most Holy Trinity
The Month of May is Dedicated to the Blessed Mother

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

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| 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 Anniversary |
| 10:30 a.m. | William McGowan |
| MONDAY, | <u>JUNE 1, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | Marie Tallant |
| TUESDAY, | <u>JUNE 2, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | Jayne M. McNamee |
| WEDNESDAY, | <u>JUNE 3, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | William and Veronica Platt |
| THURSDAY, | <u>JUNE 4, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | Pro Populo |
| FRIDAY, | <u>JUNE 5, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | Dec'd Members of Boggs And Burke Families |
| SATURDAY, | <u>JUNE 6, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | Frederick F. Turner, Sr. 7th Anniversary |

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES

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| SATURDAY, | <u>JUNE 6, 2015</u> |
| 5:15 p.m. | Philomena DiCarlo 1st Anniversary |
| SUNDAY, | <u>JUNE 7, 2015</u> |
| 8:00 a.m. | Members of Our Lady of Charity Memorial Society |
| 10:30 a.m. | Pro Populo |

COLLECTION TOTALS AS DESCRIBED

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| For Sunday, May 24: | \$8,081 |
| Number of Envelopes returned: | 310 |
| Number Attending Masses: | 513 |

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| Ascension Thursday: | \$1,649 |
| Number of Envelopes returned: | 134 |

Thank you for your generosity!

O.L. Coffee and Donuts

Sunday, June 7

**after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Mass in the Church Hall.**

Please join

*Following the 10:30 Mass, we will have
a special recognition of our Parish Grad-
uates.*

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
Feast of The Holy Trinity
May 31, 2015

This past March I had the honor of baptizing my second great nephew, one Benjamin Anthony. One of the great thrills we priests have is to do such things in and for our families. In a happy coincidence, the parents are now members of the parish from which I retired as pastor. So it was memories galore surrounding the event. But as I poured the water on that tiny forehead the present moment was the supreme one. As I did so, I repeated the words of Our Lord recorded in today's Gospel. They comprise what has since become known as "the Great Commission."

Those familiar words we all say as we make the sign of the cross were originally Our Lord's parting words to the Eleven Apostles, and constituted His marching orders, so to speak. What deep mystery is wrapped in Jesus' use of the singular word "name" applied to three Persons with different names!

Whatever temptation enters a preacher's mind to explain the Trinity is risky, because it is inexplicable. Analogies have been made, such as St. Patrick's shamrock, and the modern use of H₂O, which remains in the liquid, ice and vapor form. We remain incapable of grasping the inner nature of our Creator, so far beyond our experience as creatures.

We have Jesus' word on it, and when you ponder the fact, you can easily conclude that He gave us a gift when He revealed this truth. It is His love for and trust in us that prompted Him to reveal just Who God is. It is not unlike the self-revelation we make over time to people we love and trust. That openness forms the divide between our many acquaintances and our much fewer close friends. We go about our mission knowing we are greatly loved, despite our unworthiness.

As for the matter of making disciples, we have to admit it is a tall order. The Eleven must have thought so, especially since they spent much of their adult lives as fishermen. But note Jesus' consoling words: "And I am with you all days until the end of the age." We link that with the words of the Archangel Gabriel to Mary "There is nothing God cannot do" and the fear factor dissolves.

A cautionary note: we cannot pretend that such is the job for others, but not us. Of bishops and priests, perhaps. Or nuns and lay missionaries. It is the task of every baptized person. If there is any preaching to do at all, it's done without words. It is the powerful example of how you live; how you speak; how you conduct your affairs; manage your money; exercise your sexuality; drive your car; treat your family and friends; and generally practice your faith that will make all the difference.

We have now the example of Pope Francis. He has exhorted us by his words to leave our comfort zones and be a Church that goes out into the streets to meet the world face to face. But what the world notes is his actions. To its wonder they match. So, with the Trinity behind us and the pope ahead of us, we can't lose, even if from time to time we face setbacks. It is more than good to remember that "Christianity is a way of walking as well as a way of talking."

Catholics Reaching Out Course Is Back

Our Lady of Charity's Evangelization Ministry is offering a "Catholics Reaching Out" Program **for three consecutive Tuesday evenings, June 2, 9, and 16th 2015, from 7-8:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.**

This course is designed to help people deepen their relationship with Jesus, deepen their appreciation of the Catholic faith, and develop a much deeper understanding of the Mass and the Eucharist.

Students from our recent April class described this course as "powerful", "extremely inspirational", "eye-opening", and "easy to understand."

Whether you are a practicing Catholic, lukewarm, or have been away from the Church for a while, we welcome all, and encourage you to bring a friend, especially if they've been away.

Classes are very relaxed, informal, enjoyable and FREE! Refreshments will be served.

To reserve a seat as space is limited, contact Gina Mesko at 610-872-0876 or gagm2002@comcast.net.

Here's what people are saying about Catholics Reaching Out Program:

Testimonial #1: While talking with Father Izzo about being a Godmother, he mentioned the Catholics Reaching Out (CRO) Program and that it would be beneficial to my returning to the church more regularly. I have to agree, CRO was a great way to meet fellow parish members and get reacquainted with the things I've been missing out on. Coming back to the Church and reviving my faith in God has been a major blessing in my life. Now, I look forward to Sunday mornings even with having to wake up at 7am on my day off, because I'm not only spending time with my grandfather at that 8 am Mass, but uninterrupted time away from the craziness of the past week to just focus on the awesome blessings God offers me in the Mass.

Testimonial #2: I'm married with 2 daughters ages 12 & 9. I stopped going to Church almost 30 years ago and little by little as time moved on, I moved further away from Church and God. An old friend invited me to OLC's Catholics Reaching Out (CRO) Program in November 2013 and it was a wonderful experience meeting new people and talking about our faith journeys. Each week, we'd engage in conversations ranging from "How do I feel about Mass?" to "How do I form a deep loving relationship with Jesus?" and watching videos about the beauty of the Catholic faith and learning about the website CatholicsComeHome.org.

It was such an eye opening experience, that I now attend Mass weekly, I am a lector, and very involved with my daughters in OLC's Youth Group. I even attended the 2nd CRO last April and will plan to attend the 3rd CRO for PREP parents this November. I would not be where I am today if I did not have the CRO program as a means of support to help me transition back into the Church.

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. Mas**

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 208 gifts have been received for a total of \$24,400 or 60% of our parish goal.

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)

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

Gennario Iacono

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

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, June 2

Legion of Mary, 5 pm, Rec. Conf. Room
St. Vincent de Paul, 7 pm, Rec. Conf. Room

Wednesday, June 3

Fresh Hope A.A., 5:30 pm, Rec. Mtg. Room
Parish Meeting, 7 pm, Church
Scripture Class, 7 pm, Rec. Conf. Room

Liturgical Ministers' Schedules for Next Weekend

Saturday, June 6, 5:15 p.m.

Altar Servers: A. & A. Mielechowsky
Lector: Diane Glatts
Special Ministers: Marie Miele,
Janice Sawicki, Fred O'Malley



Sunday, June 7, 8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: D. German
Lector: Joan Boyle
Special Ministers: June Stolnis,
Antoinette Bonacquisti, Kathy DeJohn



Sunday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: G. Sullenberger
Lector: Connie Johnson
Special Ministers: Dolores O'Malley,
Bob Losak, Dominic DiFiore



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.