

Our Lady of Charity, pray for

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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 Sundays 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

Parish and Mailing Address: 231 Upland Road, Brookhaven, PA 19015

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New and Improved Parish Website: www.olcbrookhaven.org

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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 may attend either **Notre Dame de Lourdes Catholic School** in Swarthmore or **Holy Family Regional Catholic School** in Aston . Our Parish does subsidize Catholic education for parishioners of OLC who are active and contributing members of the Parish, in accord with Parish Policy. For more information, please contact Father Izzo.

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 to 7:45p.m. There is a minimal tuition requested to defray costs of the materials. No one is denied access to PREP because of an inability to pay.

Our 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.

July 26, 2015, Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time July is the Month of the Precious Blood of Christ

Almighty everlasting God, Who did appoint Thine only-begotten Son to be Redeemer of the world, and did vouchsafe to be appeased by His Blood: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so venerate the Price of our redemption, and by its power be so defended from the evils of this present life on earth, that we may enjoy its fruit for evermore in heaven.

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES

SATURDAY,	<u>JULY 25, 2015</u>	SATURDAY,	<u>AUGUST 1, 2015</u>
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5:15 P.M. Eunice Kuczynski 5:15 p.m. Donald Catone

SUNDAY, <u>JULY 26, 2015</u> SUNDAY, <u>AUGUST 2, 2015</u>

8:00 a.m. Jennie Durning 8:00 a.m. Members of Our Lady of

Charity Memorial Society
10:30 a.m. William McGowan

10:30 a.m. James Durkin

MONDAY, <u>JULY 27, 2015</u>

8:00 a.m. Donald Passaro

Tuesday, <u>July 28, 2015</u>

8:00 a.m. Joan Frankenfield

WEDNEDAY, JULY 29, 2015

8:00 a.m. Cucchi Family

THURSDAY, <u>JULY 30, 2015</u>

8:00 a.m. Pro Popoulo

FRIDAY, <u>JULY 31, 2015</u>

8:00 a.m. James Jameison—Living

SATURDAY, <u>AUGUST 1, 2015</u>

8:00 a.m. Richard Burns, Jr.

23rd Anniversary

COLLECTION TOTALS AS DESCRIBED

For Sunday, June 21: \$7,165 Number of Envelopes returned: 279 Number Attending Masses: 471

Human Development Talley: \$881

Thank you for your generosity!

Catholic Charities Appeal 2015

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 243 gifts have been received for a total of \$29,060 or 72% of our parish goal.

Rectory Summer Hours for FRIDAYS

The Office will close at 12:30 PM

Greetings from Father Izzo

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We are progressing nicely with the Sanctuary. I took a trip to the Marble Factory and saw our new steps for the Tabernacle area. The men were working on polishing the tops and edges. They look beautiful. The Side Shrines are just starting to be cut from the slabs, so they're not too far behind.

You'll notice that the seating in the Sanctuary is now different; that's because we are making ready for when the Tabernacle is revealed in a few weeks. Thus, the Priests' chair is back off to the side, since the rule requires when the Tabernacle is in the center, there is to be nothing placed in front of it. (GIRM) We fixed the floor mics and placed a new outlet in to cover both the Cantor's mic and the Priest's mic for the new position.

The Cantor has to return to the floor area off to the side of the Sanctuary, but I still think they are in a place where still visible to be the leader of song. I will be talking to the Cantors to see if they are happy with where they will be seated; my thinking is that they might want to be seated as if they are part of the Congregation, and then simply walk up to the mic when they are performing their parts. It's a work in progress, and thank you for your patience as we iron out some of these little details.

You'll notice that my confessional is removed and will become a new shrine area; thus, I am moving the Candle Room into the Church. We have a beautiful St. Patrick Statue and Sacred Heart Statue from the School building that I would like to use here, and plus add a few more Statues. Someone has already mentioned to me that they would like to see a St. Anthony Statue and St. Therese of Lisieux; so please let me know what you think. There is some additional cost to this project, so I am happy if anyone would want to contribute to it. I think, when it is done, it will be really beautiful and will become a place of devotion.

We are waiting for the marble work and the wood trim around the Rose window. They should be arriving before the end of July; so hopefully, our project will be done by mid-August. During the Opening of Forty Hours this year, I am planning on inviting Bishop McIntyre to come and bless the Tabernacle, Sanctuary and Shrine area. More about that later. Thanks for all your prayers for this project; everything has gone extraordinarily smooth, and I cannot help to think it's because of your intercession of God's goodness.

ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT'S STATEMENT REGARDING SUPREME COURT'S RULING ON SAME SEX MARRIAGE.

"The Supreme Court's 5-4 decision on marriage is not a surprise. The surprise will come as ordinary people begin to experience, firsthand and painfully, the impact of today's action on everything they thought they knew about marriage, family life, our laws and our social institutions. The mistakes of the court change nothing about the nature of men and women, and the truth of God's Word. The task now for believers is to form our own families even more deeply in the love of God, and to rebuild a healthy marriage culture, one marriage at a time, from the debris of today's decision." +Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. Archbishop of Philadelphia

ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT'S STATEMENT REGARDING WALDON MERCY ACADEMY

"Schools describing themselves as Catholic take on the responsibility of teaching and witnessing the Catholic faith in a manner true to Catholic belief. There's nothing complicated or controversial in this. It's simply a matter of honesty. I'm very grateful to the Religious Sisters of Mercy and to the principal and board members of Waldron Mercy for taking the steps to ensure that the Catholic faith is presented in a way fully in accord with the teaching of the Church. They've shown character and common sense at a moment when both seem to be uncommon." +Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. Archbishop of Philadelphia

Reflections by Father Leonard N. Peterson Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Do you have a problem with paparazzi? No, it has nothing to do with a malfunctioning bodily organ, or an unpleasant reaction to certain food. "Paparazzi" are the freelance photographers that search out and often interfere with the privacy of celebrities in the hope of taking a photo they can sell to a publisher. They'll hide up trees or behind bushes with their high-powered cameras to catch a movie star eating lunch by a window, or a political headliner taking a swim. An altogether unusual way to earn a living!

Minus the cameras, one could say that Jesus had a "paparazzi problem." Only His followers were quite out in the open about their avid fascination with Him, especially after His miraculous healings. So they had no hesitation with barging in on His privacy or ending His chosen time for rest.

Never failing at compassion, and never stooping to complaint about this sort of thing, Jesus noticed that the crowd that tailed Him was tired and hungry. Their numbers were perhaps swollen by the approaching Passover feast. It was natural for Jesus to ask Philip where the nearest bakery or supermarket was (my translation). Philip, incidentally, failed the "faith test" Jesus gave him with that question. He was supposed to answer that Jesus would handle the situation perfectly. All Philip thought of was the cost of the food! Have you ever missed the point of God's given action in your life?

For us on a summer weekend in 2015, there is in these Readings more than ample reason to "hear a call." It is to be as compassionate and generous as the "Master" in helping our sisters and brothers in need. We can never match Jesus with the amount, but we can with our motive.

How easy it is to drift away from thinking like the Master! We begin to cave in to the cynicism bred by our culture of selfishness. To be callous, for example, toward the poor is the first step to perennial stinginess. To be critical of an alcoholic or any other type of addict is to take a giant step toward cold indifference. To be judgmental of another family member not only leads toward disunity, but also to that dysfunction we hear so much about these days. All of it appeals to the devil, because it distances us from God. None of it allows us to receive Holy Communion with the right disposition. But there is recovery possible from all of this. There is hope for all of us, and that is true Good News.

Here is a story that showcases what I mean. Call it "The Gift.": In one seat of the bus, a wispy old man sat holding a bunch of fresh flowers. Across the aisle was a young girl whose eyes came back again and again to the man's flowers. The time came for the old man to get off. Impulsively he thrust the flowers into the girl's lap. "I can see that you love the flowers," he explained, "and I think my wife would like you to have them. I'll tell her I gave them to you." The girl accepted the flowers, then watched the old man get off the bus and walk through the gate of a small cemetery.

PHILLY INQUIRER'S CATHOLIC BAITING

Bill Donohue comments on a story in today's Philadelphia Inquirer:

The Philadelphia Inquirer

On the front page of the B Section in [July 17] *Philadelphia Inquirer* there is a contrived story about a former Catholic school teacher who was fired once it was discovered that he planned to "marry" his boyfriend. Why is the story contrived? Because it was trotted out to show a pattern of Catholic insensitivity to gay "married" teachers: In the news lately is a story about a woman teacher at a Catholic school who did not have her contract renewed because she said she was "married" to her girlfriend.

Here's a few nuggets for the ethicists at the *Inquirer* to think about.

Catholic schools, like all private institutions, sectarian and secular, have house rules. Those who don't like them are free to go someplace else. That's what diversity means. No one is forced to teach in a Catholic school and every person who works there knows, or should know, what the house rules are. Those who violate these strictures should be fired. More than that, they should be denied victim status.

Orthodox Jewish schools and Muslim schools have the exact same teachings and policies on gay marriage that Catholic schools have. So why is it that only Catholic schools are chosen for scrutiny?

The teacher who was let go was not a math teacher (though it wouldn't matter if she were): she was the director of religious education. Does anyone think that religious schools run by Muslims and Jews would keep a director of religious education who rejects Islamic and Judaic teachings?

If a Catholic school fired a teacher found to belong to a racist organization, the *Inquirer* would be commending it. It may come as a shock to the editors but Archbishop Charles Chaput has no intention of checking to see if they approve of any Catholic school house rules.

Contact the reporter who wrote [July 17] story, Kathy Boccella: kboccella@phillynews.com

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Often times, dear friends, we are made to feel ashamed in the main-stream press, often by how they mischaracterize us for our Faith. And many times, there isn't a strong enough argument made on behalf of the Faith. So I present this to you for your edification, and to know that there is a source to review, should you want to know the whole presentation of the topic, such as the one above and others, that we are often challenged on by Today's Main-Line Press. Father Izzo

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2015 PHILADELPHIA September 22-27, 2015

Registration for the World Meeting of Families is now open! To register for the World Meeting, September 22-25, 2015, or to learn more visit-

WorldMeeting2015.org and go to the "Register" page.

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

Prayers For The Sick

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

Please Pray for our Beloved Dead

Kindly keep in your prayers:

Dolores DePrince Joseph Ruzowicz

for the happy repose of their souls and for the consolation of their families and friends.

OLC Parish Picnic

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 NOON TO 4 PM

Food catered by Zac's Hamburgers!

Games, food and music.

All parishioners, and their families and friends are welcome!

The parish is funding part of the cost for the picnic. To cover the remaining costs, tickets for the picnic can be purchased after all weekend Masses from August 22 until September 6th, or by calling Joan at the rectory @610-872-6192.

Ticket prices are FREE for all children up to 3 years old; \$3.00 for children 4-10; \$5.00 for everyone 11 and older.

All tickets must be purchased by September 6th to provide an accurate count to the caterer.

Hope to see everyone at the picnic!!

PREP NEWS

From Jeanne Marie Havrilla, DRE

Registrations

PREP registrations are now open. Please see that you complete the forms as requested. Registration forms, along with the checks made out to OLC for tuition, are due ASAP. The registration form can be found on our parish website along with tuition rates. The first day of class will be on Tuesday, September 15th. Thank you.

PREP Volunteers Needed

Please consider this as an invitation to be part of the PREP ministry. The requirements are a love of your faith, interest in working with young children, and a love for Jesus and His Church. Interested? Please contact Jeanne Marie Havrilla at olcharityprep@gmail.com

PREP Summer Hours

Tuesdays, from 2:30 to 5:30 pm through July and August in the Rectory. (Please call first to make sure that I am in the office). You may drop off the registration forms during regular office hours or by putting in the mail slot at the front door. They may also be mailed to the Rectory.

Parish Calendar of Events

Tuesday, July 28

Legion of Mary, 5 pm, Rec. Conf. Room Wednesday, July 29

Fresh Hope A.A., 5:30 pm, Rec. Mtg. Room Scripture Class, 7 pm, Rec. Conf. Room Sunday, September 13

Parish Picnic, 12 Noon to 4 pm, OLC Grounds

Liturgical Ministers' Schedules for Next Weekend

Saturday, August 1, 5:15 p.m.

Lector: Breanne McGovern Special Ministers: Judy Wright, Lynn McMonagle, Fred O'Malley



Sunday, August 2, 8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Tom Boyle Lector: Diane Glatts Special Ministers: Vivian Linowski, Dolores O'Malley, Dolores Lavelle



Sunday, August 2, 10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: A. & A. Mielechowsky

Lector: Connie Johnson

Special Ministers: Dominic DiFiore, Elizabeth Hermansen, Eileen Wilson



USING "WELCOME" ENVELOPES

Just a reminder: For those of you who use the welcome envelopes that are provided in the exits of the church, please remember to put your name and address on the envelope, along with the amount. If there is no name on the envelope, we cannot give you credit for your contribution. Also, please remember to put the amount of your contribution on your regular envelopes. Thank you for your contributions.

Thank You

We thank all of you who are contributing to the support of your Parish Church and School and are using your weekly envelopes every Sunday. In the event you are "away" for a holiday, a wedding, or a summer weekend, we appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who send in all their Sunday envelopes. Your Parish needs the support of everyone all 52 weeks of the year to meet the financial obligations for our Church.