



Our Lady of Good Counsel

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY • APRIL 7, 2024

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	APRIL 6, 2024 Fekete & Walley Deceased r/o Family Special Intention for my walking r/o Marie Grimm
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	APRIL 7, 2024 Divine Mercy Intentions of Fr. Ariel r/o Mary Arcadipane People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Rocco Zangrilli r/o Deacon Steve & Mary Szmuto
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 8, 2024 Intentions of Maggie McMyne r/o Mom Healing Intentions of Joe O'Donnell r/o Frank Higgins
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 9, 2024 Intentions of Grandma D r/o Marie Grimm
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 10, 2024 Intentions of Ariel & Bobbie Arcadipane r/o Mom
THURSDAY, 7:30 PM	APRIL 11, 2024 Rocco Zangrilli r/o Cristina Zeppieri & Family
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 12, 2024 Intentions of Mary McMyne r/o Godmother
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM	APRIL 13, 2024 Priest's Intention
5:00 PM	Helen Marie Dolton r/o Dan & Nina Gowaty Dorothy Devlin Hankinson r/o Son, Tom
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	APRIL 14, 2024 Rocco Zangrilli r/o Antonietta Craig John Hartmann r/o DoloresDeBlasio
10:30 AM	Diane Nymberg r/o Gail Palatine The People of the Parish

COLLECTION

Registered Parish Families	681
Parishioners using envelopes	120
Envelope Contributions	\$2,986.00
Average Contribution	\$24.88
Loose Cash	822.00
Total Contributions March 24th	\$3,808.00

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Readers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	APRIL 13 Sherrie Calderone
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	APRIL 14 Laura Shea
10:30 AM	Religious Ed Students

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	APRIL 13 Ginny Evans, Janet Stankus
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	APRIL 14 Danny Morales, Dennis Hice
10:30 AM	Tony Jones, Brenda O'Callahan

Altar Servers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	APRIL 13 Nathan Stankus
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	APRIL 14 Brayden Spina, Liz Baron
10:30 AM	Ryan Spina, MacKaylah Yung

News & Events

Religious Ed Classes resume 4-7/8.

Wednesday, April 10, The Delaware Valley Radio Assoc. will meet in the Parish Hall at 6:30 PM.

Thursday, April 11, Good News Sunday Scripture Study. We meet in the Opdenacker Room at 7:00 PM and on Friday morning at 10:00 AM. All are welcome.

Saturday, April 13, Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass.

Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 p.m.



Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Mitzi Baker, Erin Barbato, Col. Gabriel Beck, Christina Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Sarah Dowd, Al Gatto, Leo Genovesi, Brian Gershon, Phil Glaser, Sandra Goeke, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Theresa Gregorio, Sherri Hanlon, Eileen and James A. Keenan, IV, Mary Lou Kramli, Carol Lake, Wayne Lecato, Laura Lynch, Kevin McBride, Keith Mello, Joan Moore, Marie Muscente, Kim Nash, Angelika Niranjan, Carol Perrine, Dominic Petito, Jennifer, Andres & Gadiel Quiroga, Lucy Saganowski, Vincent Schnell, G. Welly Samuels, Debbie Sattler, Gregory Schafer, Steve Schmierer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shanahan, Linda Solinski, Deacon Steve Szmuto, Brenda Thornley, Erin Cahill Wetzel, Cherylann Wilson, Stanley Wrobel and all parishioners who are sick or homebound. Please call the parish office to add a name to the prayer list and to inform us when all is well so we may take a name off the list.

PARISH EMAIL'S ARE BACK TO DOMAIN NAME:

Fr. Ariel	frariel@olgcc.net
Rectory Office	rectoryoffice@olgcc.net
Mary Szmuto	mszmuto@olgcc.net
Debbie Smith	dsmith@olgcc.net (Bulletin)
WEBSITE	OLGCC.NET

APRIL 7 ~ DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

2nd Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy Sunday

Reading I: Acts 4:32-35

Responsorial Psalm: 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Reading II: 1 John 5:1-6 Gospel: John 20:19-31

Thomas' profession of faith came swiftly when, eight days after he had declared his unwillingness to believe, Christ showed him his side and the nail marks in his hands and removed every possible doubt. Our Lord Jesus Christ had miraculously entered the room when the doors were closed. As this would have been impossible for an ordinary earthly body he reassured Thomas, and through him the other disciples, by letting him see his side and the wounds in his flesh.

Only Thomas is reported to have said: *Unless my hands touch the marks of the nails and I see them, and unless I put my hand into his side, I will not believe; yet to some extent all the disciples were guilty of disbelief. Doubt remained in their minds even after they had told Thomas that they had seen the Lord. Saint Luke's account says that, While they stood amazed, torn between joy and disbelief Christ said to them: Have you anything to eat? They gave him a piece of broiled fish and part of a honeycomb, which he took and ate before their eyes. This surely proves that it was not only in the mind of blessed Thomas that disbelieving thoughts still lurked, but in the minds of the other disciples as well. It was their very astonishment that made them slow to believe, but when it became impossible to disbelieve what they could see with their own eyes, blessed Thomas made his profession of faith: My Lord and my God. Jesus said to him: Because you have seen me, Thomas, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen, and yet believe.*

There was a wonderful providence behind these words of the Savior, and they can be of very great help to us. They show once again how much he cares for our souls, for he is good and as Scripture says: He wants everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. Even so, this saying of his may surprise us. As always, Christ had to be patient with Thomas when he said he would not believe and with the other disciples too when they thought they were seeing a ghost. Because of his desire to convince the whole world, he most willingly showed them the marks of the nails and the wound in his side; because he wished those who needed such signs as a support for their faith to have no possible reason for doubt, he even took food although he had no need for it.

But when anyone accepts what he has not seen, believing on the word of his teacher, the faith by which he honors the one his teacher proclaims to him is worthy of great praise. Blessed, therefore, is everyone who believes the message of the holy apostles who, as Luke says, were eyewitnesses of Christ's actions and ministers of the word.

If we desire eternal life and long for a dwelling place in heaven, we must listen to them.

Cyril of Alexandria (444)



All Religious Education Classes resume April 7/8.

Parents please note: Pictures are needed of all students receiving their First Communion and Confirmation this year. Please email a .jpeg photo to Dsmith@olgcc.net or drop off to the Parish Office. Photo's will be featured in the parish bulletin and on our website. Thanks for your help.



**FAMILY SUNDAY—CHILDREN'S LITURGY APRIL 14TH,
10:30 AM MASS**

Our parish children will take an active part at the 10:30 AM Mass in serving as; Greeters, Ushers and Readers. All children of the parish are welcome to participate! For more information please email:

Brenda O'Callahan CRE: olgcc.re.wt@gmail.com

Family Sunday ~ Refreshments will follow the 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish Hall. Join us for some hot beverages and sweet breakfast treats!



Parish Outreach for Q1 2024

Thanks to your continued generosity, our **Social Services Committee** volunteers delivered the following items to Mount Carmel Guild during January, February and March: 124 frozen food tray meals, 1 turkey, 17 other frozen items, 70 bags/boxes of non-perishable food, 62 bags/boxes of clothes, 8 bags/boxes of personal care items, 33 bags/boxes of baby items, 48 bags/boxes of household items and 3 bags/boxes of miscellaneous items.

Note: Frozen items can be placed in the donations freezer adjacent to the kitchen area.

Food trays and instructions are available next to the freezer. Please consider sharing your leftovers with those in need.

Parishioners should know that in our weekly deliveries to these charities we regularly hear sincere expressions of appreciation for your continued generosity. Their thanks for all of our food and meal donations always get special mention. Thanks for all you do for parish outreach to help those in need!



Parish Feast Day

APRIL 28TH - 10:30 MASS

Ticket: \$15 p.p.- \$5 children 5-18,
4 and under are free.

Tickets sold in the Church Vestibule after all
Masses or at the Rectory until April 20/21.

There will be a Raffle, Prizes & Tricky Tray

We need your help with donations for our tricky
tray (please no clothes). Drop off items in
Parish Hall on the designated table.

Catered by Sal DeForte's.

Our menu is: Garden Salad, Rigatoni Vodka,
Meatballs, Chicken Marsala, Crab Crusted Tilapia,
Roasted Potatoes & Green Beans.

Please bring along a dessert to share.

Chaired by Parish Council Hospitality Committee.

We need volunteers please call Mary Pat Voorhees
at 570-290-2373 or Sign-up sheets are
available at all church doors.

Hope to see you there!



EUCCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is unable to come
to Mass because of significant illness or long-
term disability, Fr. Ariel and our Eucharistic
Ministers will visit area homes to bring the
Blessed Sacrament.

Please call the parish office at 609-882-3277x3 to inform
us you would like to be added to the **Communion Call list**.
Homebound members will be scheduled to receive the
Eucharist at home.



GREETERS MINISTRY

Hello & Welcome

Would you like to say these words to fellow parishioners
coming to weekend Masses?
It sounds pretty easy but it sure makes a big difference!

We need volunteers to be Greeters!

Simply come to Mass 10-15 minutes early.
Pick a door and share a smile and welcome to all.

Depending on the number of volunteers we get this could be a once a
month commitment.

The Greeter Ministry is part of our Hospitality Committee.

For more information please Email
Joyce Christensen at
olgcechospitality@gmail.com



PARISH Free Bingo Night

APRIL 20TH ~ 6:00 PM

Step right up to our
Indoor Tailgate Party!



Grab your picnic gear and get
ready for a rollicking Bingo Blast!
We've got your hydration covered
with water and juices galore.

This shindig is strictly
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Everyone is
welcome
from 1-100!



Prizes for
every winner!



Bring your
friends and
share a table!



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CONTACT NANCY FINN AT
NFINN1121@GMAIL.COM

First round of bingo to be called at 6:30 pm



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HE IS RISEN!

Thank You to our
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Easter Angels



Barbara Hutchinson
Gusz

*Eternal rest grant unto
her, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine
upon her. Amen.*



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Easter Gift

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RETREAT FOR CAREGIVERS

The Diocese of Trenton Office of Pastoral Life & Mission is hosting a full-day retreat at San Alfonso Retreat Center on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for anyone caring for family members or volunteers in caring ministries (visiting the sick and homebound, bereavement support, addiction and recovery ministry, other support groups or forms of spiritual accompaniment). See www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care for information and registration.

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~What is it?

~What has it been doing?

~What is it working on now?

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Date: **Tuesday, April 9th, 2024**

Time: **7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Location: **Virtually** from wherever you are!

Register to get the link by emailing

holyinnocentsociety@dioceseoftrenton.org

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Join the Diocese of Trenton Chapter of **Catholic Relief Services** for a virtual program on **Monday, April 15 from 7 to 8 PM** to hear from dairy expert Vinton Smith about his work with CRS in the Farmer-to-Farmer Program. The Farmer-to-Farmer Program takes advantage of American farmers' knowledge and expertise to help farmers in developing countries to feed their families and fight hunger by increasing the yield of their farms. To register, contact Brenda Rascher, Diocesan Liaison to CRS, at brasch@dioceseoftrenton.org, or Carol Olivieri at josepholivieri@msn.com.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR WOMEN ~ OASIS ~ sponsored by the Religious Teachers Filippini, will take place on **Saturday, April 20th** between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM at Villa Walsh. Please send a Registration Fee of \$15 p.p., payable to Villa Walsh. Mail Payment to: Sr. Patricia Martin, MPF, Villa Walsh, 455 Western Ave. Morristown, NJ 07960 include your name, address, phone. For more information, call Sr. Alice at 732-238-9222. Includes: Mass, Reconciliation, Rosary/Stations & Adoration. (Outdoor Stations) bring your own brown bag lunch, drinks provided, Handicapped accessible. Gift Shop on-site.

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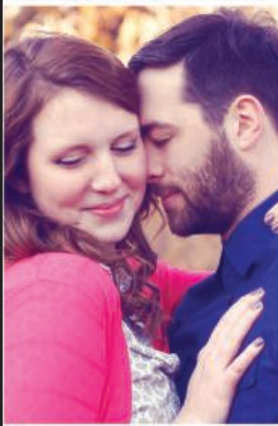
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