





<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>February 25, 2012</b>
5:00PM	Charles E. Grom Lucille Jolliffe
7:00PM	Joseph Cooney, Jr. Helen & Kenneth Higgins
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>February 26, 2012</b>
7:45AM	Jack McKenzie
9:15AM	Margaret Beltz
10:45AM	Mary Ann Gasparovic
12:15PM	Steve Berstler Peter Krogh-Jensen William "Willie" McNear Eileen Walgron
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>February 27, 2012</b>
9:30AM	OLM Parishioners
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>February 28, 2012</b>
9:30AM	Mary Passaretti
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>February 29, 2012</b>
9:30AM	Raymond Ragusky
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>March 1, 2012</b>
9:30AM	For the Sick
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>March 2, 2012</b>
9:30AM	For World Peace
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>March 3, 2012</b>
5:00PM	Mae Connolly – 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lucy Scala
7:00PM	OLM Parishioners
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>March 4, 2012</b>
7:45AM	Elizabeth Barteck
9:15AM	Joseph Cooney Jr.
10:45AM	John Delonas
12:15PM	Carmine DeTrolio – 19 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Elena Marianacci

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please remember to pray for the sick of our parish community who have requested our prayers.

**PARISHIONER SEEKS PART-TIME WORK**

A long-time parishioner of OLM is seeking part-time employment. Experience includes Quickbooks and most other office programs. Please contact Carol at 908-876-9261 or [corolla313@yahoo.com](mailto:corolla313@yahoo.com).

**CATHOLIC WOMAN'S TEA**

The Long Valley Columbiettes will be sponsoring a Catholic Woman's Tea on Sunday, March 4, 2012 from 2:00 to 4:00PM in the Parish Center. All ladies of the parish are invited to come and celebrate their Catholic faith. For more information please contact Fran Clary at 908-852-5779.

**CONTACT INFORMATION  
FATHER JOE AND FATHER ABUCHI:**

OLM Parish Office: 908-876-4395  
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Father Joe Cell/Text: 973-945-4045  
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[fatherabuchi@comcast.net](mailto:fatherabuchi@comcast.net)

To receive email updates of OLM news and events, please go to our website and sign up:  
[www.ourladyofthemountain.org](http://www.ourladyofthemountain.org)

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS**

Weekly Collection	\$ 9,107.00
Project Faith	\$ 2,568.00
Our Lady's Cupboard	\$ 100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,775.00</b>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

REMINDER: If you attend Mass at either St. Luke's or St. Mark's, you can drop your Our Lady of the Mountain envelope in the collection basket and it will be credited as your donation to Our Lady of the Mountain.



**OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN**

**Saturday, March 3**

5:00PM Rev. Edward Davey  
7:00PM Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Goode

**Sunday, March 4**

7:45AM Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Goode  
9:15AM Rev. Msgr. Stanley Schinski  
10:45AM Rev. Abuchi Nwosu  
12:15PM Rev. Abuchi Nwosu

**ST. MARK'S**

**Saturday, March 3**

5:30PM Rev. Abuchi Nwosu

**Sunday, March 4**

8:00AM Rev. Abuchi Nwosu  
9:30AM Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Goode  
11:00AM Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Goode

**ST. LUKE'S WEEKEND SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 5:00PM Sunday: 7:45, 9:30, 11:15AM

## FEBRUARY 26, 2012 ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



### THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS...

Today's Gospel of St. Mark is the shortest episode that describes the temptations of Jesus. Mark mentions Jesus was led into the desert, was tempted by Satan among the wild beasts and had angels ministered to Him. Jesus overcomes Satan, the major spirit of evil and foe of God, and emerges from His desert experience renewed and determined to go forth and fulfill the mission for which He was sent into the world.

What are your personal temptations? What are those things that seem to always be near to your spirit that seek to turn you from your true self? We each have them. As human beings we are often tempted to do things that would make us less than we want to be and less than God intended for us to be. God intends us to live holy lives strengthened by his grace and love. God intends for us to minister to others especially the least among us and not give in to the temptation to always think of ourselves first. God made us to love and to serve all people and not to lose the gift of love that is the image of God which dwells within us.

The word *temptation* is a noun from the verb "to tempt" which defined means: *To try to get someone to do wrong...to be attractive to...to risk provoking: tempt fate...to incline or dispose.* If we look at this definition from the perspective of how we know we should live as children of God, we realize first off that we never are to attempt to get another person to do wrong. How great a sin it is to lead another to sin!

Second, we realize that temptation most often comes in the form of something that seems so attractive. We know it is not good and will eventually harm us – unhealthy eating or drinking habits or other such habits seem so attractive at first. This is the type of temptation each of us deals with regularly and we can be helped by the prayer and the grace of God's love. Further reflecting on the definition we realize that giving into temptation involves us in risk taking and tempting fate, for we know that choosing to give into the temptation, we chose to do that which is bad for us. Thus we should pray as Jesus prayed to be strengthened in time of trial. Prayer is most important because it helps keeps us focused on God's love.

As we enter this first week of Lent, why not try to make prayer an important part of your day and ask the Lord as Jesus did to keep you holy; to keep you free from temptation and let you do the work of God each day...*Father Joe*

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (K-8) NEWS

Classes resume today for grades K-8. The morning classes will meet at their usual times. The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will meet in the Upper Level of the Parish Center at 5:30PM.

The Grade School Penance Renewal Service will take place on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM in the church. All are invited to attend.

### HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Classes meet in the lower level of the Parish Center at 7:30-9:00PM

[confirmationolm@comcast.net](mailto:confirmationolm@comcast.net)

#### **CPI (9<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Monday, February 27                      Formation 3

#### **CPII (10<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

Monday, March 5                              Reflection 5

**Antioch Information Meeting for Parents  
7:30PM, Parish Center**

#### **Information and Service Hours:**

KellyAnn Routhier, 908-876-5024

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Meet in Teen Center (Parish Office Basement)

Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00PM

[youtholm@comcast.net](mailto:youtholm@comcast.net)

#### **Teen Mass – Sunday, March 11, 2012, 5:30PM**

Volunteers are needed to help with the skit, serve as lector, usher, greeter or altar server. Skit practices are on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Please call Mrs. Gartley for more information.

If you are interested in joining the high school youth group, please call Mrs. Gartley.

**Information:** Caroline Gartley, 908-876-5024

## OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

**Weekly Adoration:** All Fridays in Lent immediately following the 9:30AM daily Mass.

**Why Catholic:** We invite you to enjoy ongoing adult Religious Education in a relaxed atmosphere. We will be conducting *Why Catholic* on the Thursday evenings of Lent at 7:30PM in the Parish Center.

**Jesus the Healer:** This is an unforgettable experience of healing presented by the Franciscan Mystery Players of Notre Dame Church. Through the use of special lighting and sound, this moving dramatic meditation promises to be a high point in our Parish's spiritual journey. Because of the intensity of the subject matter of suffering and death, it may not be recommended for children. We strongly encourage all our adults and teens to attend this unique and prayerful presentation on Friday, March 9 at 8:00PM.

**Stations of the Cross:** Join us for Stations of the Cross beginning Friday, February 24 at 7:30PM in the church and continuing through Friday, March 30, 2012, with the exception of March 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** *Welcome Home to Healing* - We will be providing Reconciliation on all Mondays of Lent, 7:00-8:30PM with the following exceptions. A Grade School Reconciliation Service will be provided on Monday, February 27 at 7:30PM. Our Parish Penance Service will be held on Monday, March 26 at 7:30PM. All are welcome to both services.

**Ecumenical Cross Walk for Peace:** We invite you to participate in our annual Good Friday Cross Walk, April 6 at 11:45AM, starting at the Long Valley Presbyterian Church on Bartley Road in Long Valley.

**Good Friday "Live" Stations:** We invite you to attend a presentation of the Passion of our Lord hosted by the young people in our Youth Ministry program on Good Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM in the church.

## OPERATION RICE BOWL

You're invited to participate in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl. Rice Bowls are available on the ushers' tables in the back of the Church. Please join in this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Rice bowls and/or checks are due back to the church no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>. Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of the Mountain Church.

## LENTEN PRAYER

Quellen Spiritual Center is hosting "*Lenten Prayer-Sacred Rhythms: Arranging Our Lives for Transformation*" on all Tuesdays during Lent. For more information, please call 973-543-6528, ext. 217.

## OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

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### SUNDAY VESPERS

The Sisters of Christian Charity invite you to join them for Sunday Vespers (Evening Prayer of the Church) during Lent at 4:30PM in their motherhouse chapel, 350 Bernardsville Road in Mendham. For more information, please call 973-543-6528.

### PILGRIMAGE PRESENTATIONS

Beginning on February 28, St. Matthew the Apostle in Randolph is hosting a series of presentations on Tuesday evenings during Lent, as well as a Saturday retreat experience. For more information, please contact St. Matthew's at 973-584-1101.

## TRADITIONAL LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR CATHOLICS: FAST AND ABSTINENCE

During this Lent, Catholics are encouraged to celebrate the Eucharist frequently, celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, read the scriptures and perform acts of self-denial and charity individually and as a family. The specific discipline of the Church in the United States regarding penitential days is as follows:

- The days of Fast and Abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent are designated as days of penance but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance. This may be physical mortification or acts of religion, charity or Christian witness.
- Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast; by this obligation the individual is permitted only one full meal in the day. From the age of 14 all are obliged to abstain.
- The law of abstinence forbids eating meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind even those made from animal fat.
- The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence "substantially" or as a whole is an important obligation. It is the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of days, which is considered serious.
- The time for fulfilling the traditional Easter Duty (Sacrament of Reconciliation) extends from the First Sunday of Lent to Trinity Sunday.

### **GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY**

Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 is Girl Scout Sunday. We will be celebrating this event at the 12:15PM Mass. We are in need of lectors (must be Confirmed), altar servers (fourth grade and above), greeters, Scouts to carry offertory gifts, and a full color guard. If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Kim Nestor, 908-850-1059 or [4nestors@gmail.com](mailto:4nestors@gmail.com).

### **ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**

As is customary at OLM, in honor of our Blessed Mother, all women of the Parish are invited to participate in the recitation of the Rosary, followed by Mass and Novena on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> 7:15PM. Then join us in the Parish Center for refreshments and meeting. The program for this month will be "*Grief Support, Education and Outreach*." Linda Richartz is donating March flowers for the Blessed Mother.

### **ROSARY DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

The Rosary Altar Society of Our Lady of the Mountain Church invites all ladies of the parish to a Day of Reflection on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the OLM Parish Center with the Rev. Msgr. Brendan Madden, from 9:30AM to 3:00PM. Bagels and coffee will be provided in the morning and dessert after lunch. You are asked to please bring a box lunch. Tickets may be purchased at a suggested offering of \$15 in the Gift Shop before and after all Masses or by calling Millie Parsons at 832-7771 or Marge Gibbons at 876-4343.

### **LUCK OF THE IRISH 50/50**

The Long Valley Columbiettes are hosting a 50/50 Raffle to benefit all of its programs, such as its scholarship to a graduating high school senior and OLM's food pantry, just to name a few. The winner will receive 50% of the amount of the proceeds from ticket sales. There will be only one winner. Tickets will be available this weekend after all Masses in the Gathering Room. Ticket prices are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. The drawing will be held on March 21<sup>st</sup> in the OLM Parish Center. Winner need not be present

### **VILLA WALSH PRODUCTION**

You are cordially invited to Villa Walsh's production of *Honk!* on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in Mother Ninetta Auditorium. The story is based on Hans Christian Andersen's *The Ugly Duckling*. For ticket information, please call 973-538-3680.

### **FREE PROM DRESSES**

Girl Scout Troup 478 from Long Valley is giving away gently used prom dresses to any girl that may want one for this upcoming season. The dresses will be distributed to the public on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> during the hours of 10:00AM-4:00PM from the teen center, 214 West Mill Road, in Long Valley.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

The Schooley's Mountain Fire Department will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 4, 2012 from 8:00AM to Noon. Everyone is welcome.

### **JOIN THE PARTY**

The Washington Township Recreation is sponsoring "ZUMBA GOLD" for active older adults on Thursdays from 12:15-1:00 at the Washington Township Senior Center. The fee is \$3.00 per class. No commitment involved. Space is limited! To sign up or for more information please call Liza Cook, 908-876-5941.

### **"READ ACROSS AMERICA" ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS**

To commemorate Dr. Seuss' birthday, the students at Long Valley Middle School would like to share some of their favorite books with you on Thursday, March 1 at the Middle School from 10:00-11:30AM. For more information please contact Liza Cook at 908-876-5941.

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON**

Washington Township Recreation Department is celebrating the luck of the Irish by hosting their annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon on Friday, March 16, 2012 at 11:00AM at the Washington Township Senior Center in Rock Spring Park, Long Valley. The cost of this event is a non-refundable fee of \$8.00 for residents and \$9.00 for non-residents. Please send your check made payable to Washington Township Recreation to: WT Recreation, 50 Rock Rd., Long Valley, NJ 07853 before March 12, 2012. For any questions please call Liza Cook at 908-876-5941.