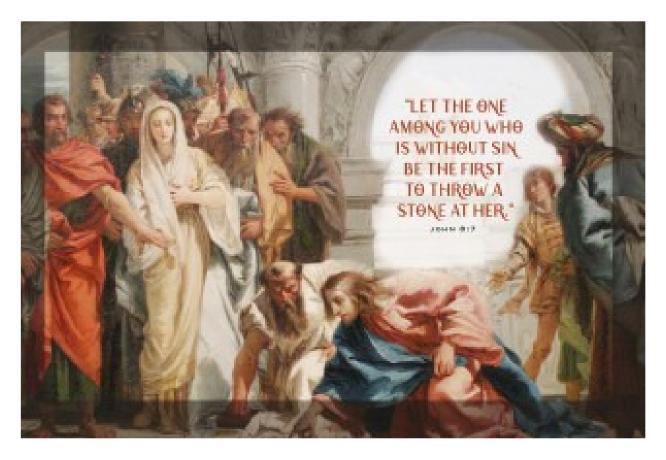
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MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm; Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 am Monday-Friday7:00 am and 12:00 pm; Saturday 8:30 am and 12:00 pm Penance: Confessions Saturday 12:45 pm – 2:00 pm or by appointment

Baptism: Contact Parish Office after the birth of your child to begin Baptismal preparation program **Ministry of the Sick:** Call Parish Office for anointing of seriously or chronically ill for the Sacrament of

Anointing of the Sick and to arrange Communion calls

Marriages: Arrange at least one year in advance with a parish priest

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April 3, 2022 5th Sunday of Lent

Annual Appeal

We are now just 2 weeks away from the celebration of Easter! As we continue our Lenten journey to that wonderful day of the Lord's Resurrection, the Church continues to invite us to devote time to the spiritual practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As we reflect more deeply on the meaning of this Lenten season, we become more aware of God's blessings bestowed upon us. As the Psalm at this Sunday's Mass reminds us: "The Lord has done great things for us." We in turn are encouraged to share those blessings with others, especially the poor, as well as the ministries of our parish and those of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Last January, the parishioners in the Archdiocese of Newark received an invitation from Cardinal Tobin to participate in this year's Annual Appeal. The Annual Appeal is an opportunity for all of us to express our gratitude for God's blessings, and to consider our support of the vital ministries that are central to our Catholic mission and our Archdiocese. In doing so, we continue serving so many people in Christ's name. Your financial support of the Appeal provides our Archdiocese the resources to minister to the poor, welcome those on the margins, provide seminarian education to our future priests, and much more. Be assured that 100% of the funds collected are solely used to support the Church's ministries.

Your pledge and gift to this year's Annual Appeal will also help our parish receive possibly two financial incentives. Pledges made by June 30, 2022 that exceed our parish Goal will make our parish eligible for a 100% rebate. That means that the parish gets a rebate of every penny collected over our parish Goal. Last year, we exceeded our goal by a large amount and we therefore recently received a check for \$23,699 from the Archdiocese! As I write this column on March 28th, our parish is 56% of the way to reaching our Goal. We've passed the half-way mark, but we still have a long way to go to reach out Goal and to do as well as we did last year.

Also, if we meet or exceed this Goal in funds collected by June 30, 2022, we will receive a 2% assessment rate reduction in our parish assessment for Fiscal Year 2023. Making our Goal last year saved our parish about \$15,000 in archdiocesan assessments!

I have made my own pledge to this year's Annual Appeal. I invite you to join me and your fellow parishioners who have already made a pledge to consider making a pledge as well. You may fill out one of the envelopes found in the pews and either mail it directly back to the Archdiocese, put it in our collection basket, or bring it to our parish office.

You may also make a gift online, by visiting www.rcan.org/sharing. Please don't forget to select our parish name when making an online gift. You are also invited to submit a prayer intention by going to www.rcan.org/submit-prayer-request. Thank you for all that you do for our parish and for the ministries of our Archdiocese. You are in my prayers. I ask you to keep me, our parish, and the success of this year's Annual Appeal in your prayers as well.

Continued Lenten Blessings,

Fr. Brian

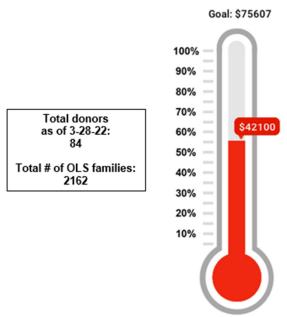
THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

| March 27th | Week 39 | Y. to Date |
|------------|----------|------------|
| Collection | \$11,927 | \$478,875 |
| Budgeted | \$11,179 | \$435,981 |

Repairs and Maintenance \$1,695 Food Pantry \$340 Easter Flowers \$258

Thank you for your generosity!

Catholic Stewardship in Action Annual Appeal



Please help us to reach our goal! To make a gift: https://support.rcan.org/a/donate

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday and Friday, from 12:30pm - 3:00pm, concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which at this time we're offering in particular for peace in Ukraine. Please consider spending some quiet time in prayer before Our Lord in the exposed Eucharist. Honestly, can you think of any better way to use a few minutes of your Monday and Friday afternoons than with Our Lord in the peaceful quiet of our beautiful church?

Christian Initiation Highlights

Three new members were initiated into our Christian Community. They are:
Beau Thomas Molnar, roman Valentine Guando and Daniella Ana Rose Pena. We congratulate their parents, godparents and families. Our next Baptismal Celebration will be held on Sunday, April 24, 2022.

Stations of the Cross

We will pray the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at 7:00 pm. Please join us as we accompany Our Lord on the road to Calvary.



Paschal Triduum Schedule (See next week's bulletin cover for the complete schedule of events)

Holy Thursday, April 14

+ 7:30 pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 15

- + 12:00 pm: Outdoors Stations of the Cross (weather permitting)
- + 3:00 pm: Service of the Lord's Passion and Death
- + 7:30 pm: Choral Stations of the Cross

Solemn Easter Vigil, April 16

+ 8:00 pm: Solemn Mass with Christian Initiation

Easter Sunday, April 17

+ Masses at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am

2022 Anniversary Liturgies

We are excited to announce we are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of valid marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2022!

These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 24, 2022, 3:00 PM: 5 years & 25 years

May 15, 2022, 3:00 PM: 50 years

It is our desire that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of a large number of couples will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

Since we were unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years can also join us. Please note whether the milestone anniversary took place in 2020, 2021 or 2022, the certificates will still say Silver or Gold, not 26, 51 etc.

To register please call Anne Moore 973-763-5454. She will need the couple's last name, date of marriage, first names and address. Also please note which ceremony you are attending.

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Electronic Parish Giving

Please consider making your offerings to our parish through our "Electronic Funds Transfer". This allows parishioners to make weekly/monthly donations to the parish that will be taken directly from your bank account or credit card account once a month. Electronic Parish Giving is easy and convenient with no additional cost to you as you support your parish. It can be accessed through our parish web site (www.olschurch.com). You may still receive envelopes in the mail and if you wish you could turn them into the collection on Sunday and simply write "Parish Giving" on them. Please consider enrolling today as a way to enhance your personal stewardship to our parish. If you begin to use Electronic Giving and do not wish to receive envelopes (which will save the parish money) please contact the parish office.



VIGIL, SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022

5:30 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022

8:00 AM Rob Van Vatfem

10:00 AM Susan Searing Swanson

11:30 AM Mary Brearton

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022

7:00 AM Sr. Barbara Armstrong, S.C.C. 12:00 PM Peggy and James McClatchie

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022

7:00 AM Androcles Clitus

12:00 PM Ron Jotz

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022

7:00 AM Edward Nolan

12:00 PM Tadeusz Kozlowski and Deceased

Members of the Barwicki Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022

7:00 AM Catherine Marie Lally

12:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of

the DePaola Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2022

7:00 AM Michael McDonnell 12:00 PM Carrie Pfannenstiel 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022

8:30 AM Ralph and Filomena Ferrace

12:00 AM The Macedon Family

VIGIL MASS APRIL 9, 2022

5:30 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Lambusta

and Abramo Families

10:00 AM Emilia Franzonia

11:30 AM Marlene C. Etienne – Special

Intention

In Sympathy of

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: *Andrew Polperio*. We pray for the repose of his soul and also for those left behind during this time.

In Memoriam

It is a loving gesture to donate the weekly Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.

This week's *Sanctuary Candle* in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of *Sr. Barbara Armstrong*, *S.C.C*. Requested by Maria T. Wilms.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Donations to support our wonderful Music Ministry are gratefully accepted. Donations are applied toward the purchase of printed choral music and for instrumentalists for holiday liturgies, concerts and other special occasions.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember to pray for the following in your prayers: Kathy Craig, Julia Callaghan, Angie Sena, Daniel Callaghan, Elizabeth Stuart, Marie Somers, Bill Aber, Neville Moore, Jane O'Donoghue, George Richmond Files Jr., Megan More, Ludgarda Rosa, Stephanie Windsor, Amy Dombrowski, Mark F. Davonski, Beth Hebron, Jennifer Bober, Melissa O'Brien, Rita Arena, John Colaku, Kate Mullin, Rosemary Muller, Norma Gonzalez, Agnes Marshall, Bekim Colaku, Kyle Reardon, Mary Jane Tannen, Catherine Sullivan and Robert Charles.





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162 Academy Street, South Orange

Hours: 7:30 am-12:30 pm or 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Monday thru Friday

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