



OLC

1911 – 2014

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Our Lady of Czestochowa Catholic Church

120 Sussex Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

Our Mission

The mission of our Parish is to reach out to all people and encourage them to join us in joyfully giving praise and glory to God; to build a Christian community that, with trust in God, embraces the future, and in doing so, is a beacon of faith, hope and love on the Jersey City waterfront.

Our History

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church, or OLC, was founded in 1911 to serve Polish immigrants in Jersey City. Today, OLC is growing and changing as it seeks to serve all those who now live in our neighborhood. The Church takes its name from a city in Poland that houses a cherished icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A copy of that icon is centrally located in our historic Church.

Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday: 12:30 pm (Church open from 12:00 noon to 1:15 pm)

Saturday: 5:00 pm, Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday: 10:00 am, 12:30 pm and 7:00 pm

Note: St. Anthony of Padua, 330 Sixth Street, Jersey City, the Center for Polish Ministry in Jersey City, offers a Polish Language Mass at OLC, Sundays at 8:00 am.

Faith Formation during 10:00 am Mass

We provide a Faith Formation program called “Children’s Liturgy of the Word” for children 2½ years of age and up during the Sunday Mass. We dismiss the children from Mass after the Opening Prayer to the church hall, returning before the Offertory. Parents are welcome to accompany their child if they wish.

Confessions/Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm in the church and at other times by appointment with the pastor.

Weddings

Those interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the parish office **one year** in advance of their proposed date of marriage.

Infant Baptisms

Preparation for Baptism should ideally begin before the birth of the child. Expectant parents should visit the parish website for more information.

The OLC School – Quality Education on the Waterfront

248 Luis Marin Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07302

Grades 1 - 8

Accredited by the Middle States Commission on Elementary and Secondary Schools

The Little Harbor Academy – The Early Childhood Division of the OLC School

186 Grand Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

Programs: Kindergarten; Pre-Kindergarten Program for 3- & 4-year-olds; Montessori Toddler Program for 2-year-olds

To Register and Be Part of OLC

We welcome you to register and to be part of our parish family. Please contact the parish office to arrange an informal appointment with the pastor.

Saints Peter and Paul Church, Hoboken and OLC Church, Jersey City

We work together to proclaim and live the Gospel on the Hudson River Waterfront by sharing our time, energy, and resources, and in doing so, we more powerfully witness the presence of Christ.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 2, 2015

BAPTISM AT OLC

Congratulations to our parents who celebrated the baptism of their children on Sunday, July 26 at OLC.



*Isabella Sofia Garcia
the daughter of
George and Elaine
with older brother
Sebastian*



*Xavier Schirrick Hand
the son of
Kevin and Marisa*



*John James Giesen
the son of
Janet and Brian*



*Julian Anton Le Fevre
the son of
Quentin and Mathilde*

BAPTISM



GATHERING TO REJOICE is the first component of our Baptism Program for those preparing for the birth of their child. You must **pre-register** for this program. Register online at www.olcjc.org and reference "Formation and Sacraments." Follow the link to "Baptism of Children," or call the rectory.

Upcoming dates are:

September 13, 2015; November 1, 2015

GATHERING TO UNDERSTAND is the second part of our Baptism program. If you are preparing for the baptism of your child, this program is **required**. It addresses theology, the responsibilities and requirements of parents and Godparents, etc.

You can register online, by phone, or you can just walk in (**however, preregistration is extremely helpful**). Upcoming dates are:

October 4, 2015; December 6, 2015

Please register as parishioners before attending the baptism classes. You can register in the rectory Monday through Friday from 9:30 am until 5:00 pm.

REGISTER WITH YOUR PARISH/ REQUEST FOR PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE



All Catholics should register with a parish. If you have been attending OLC, come to the OLC Rectory any time between the hours of 9:30 am – 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday, and fill out a registration card. If you are currently a parishioner and have changed your address or name within the past year,

please notify the office by calling 201-434-0798 or email bulletin@olcjc.org.

FAITH WORKS



Please remember to make a donation of non-perishable food items this weekend to support our "Faith Works Program." This is a very important work of charity that has benefited many in our community. Thank you for your contributions!

As a reminder, we accept all non-perishable foods. We accept soups, canned fish and canned meats, gravies (Italian and brown), pasta, rice, cereals, oatmeal, flower, sugar, condiments, cookies, crackers, etc. Toiletries are also welcome (soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, combs, hair products, etc.)

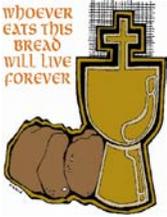
PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL

OLC will take up this special collection this weekend. Founded by the Venerable Pauline Jaricot in 1822 in France, the Society for the Propagation of the Faith seeks prayer and sacrifice for the world's Missions, now some 1,150 dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and remote regions of Latin America. Help is offered for pastoral and evangelizing programs, for catechists and catechetical work, to build churches and chapels, for the work of Religious communities in healthcare and education, and for communication and transportation needs.



MASS INTENTIONS

WHOEVER
EATS THIS
BREAD
WILL LIVE
FOREVER



It is a long standing tradition in many different faiths and cultures to remember, and even venerate, someone's deceased relatives and friends. We keep alive the memory of our deceased relatives and friends by remembering them in our prayers.

Through our prayers, we can also continue that spiritual and loving connection we had when they walked this earth.

Remembering someone in our prayers (whether alive or deceased) is particularly important to us as Catholics. Because the celebration of the Mass is the highest form of worship, the practice of having a Mass "offered" for an individual, deceased or living, or for a particular intention, is an excellent way of bringing our intentions to God. This is a long standing tradition in the church. It is also a devotional practice whereby we keep alive the memory of our loved ones. Through this practice we can maintain that loving bond between ourselves and those whom we love. A Mass can be offered on the anniversary of death or on a person's birthday, or at any time. You may also have a Mass celebrated for someone who is ill, in thanksgiving and for special intentions for family and/or friends.

Take the time to have a Mass celebrated for your loved-ones. Simply stop by the rectory, call us at **201-434-0798** or send an e-mail to: secretary@olcj.org.

2015 EVENTS AT OLC

Drawing Rooms: Meet the artists of the "Color Rules" exhibit on August 2nd and 9th. See page 4 for details. The galleries are open Thursday – Friday, 4-7 pm and Saturday – Sunday, 2-6 pm. Call (201) 823-9393 or email: victoryhall1@msn.com.

OLC Seniors: The group will break for the summer; meetings will resume in the fall. For more information, call Dorothy Bromirski, (201) 333-4888.

The OLC Adult Choir: The regular choir rehearsal will take place Sundays, 11:15 am. The choir will sing at the 12:30 pm Mass on Sundays. If you have musical ability, please contact our music director Ben Rauch at: Directorofmusic@olcj.org.

Children's Liturgy: Every Sunday during 10:00 am Mass for 20 minutes. Ages 2 and older. Parents are welcome. No registration required – join in!

Coffee & Donuts: Every Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass. This event may be held in the church hall. Please call the rectory if you wish to volunteer.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Reflect on today's readings. Prepare for next Sunday.

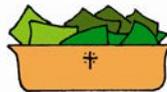
Sunday, August 2, 2015

Ex. 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph. 4:17, 20-24; Jn. 6:24-35

Sunday, August 9, 2015

1 Kgs. 19:4-8; Eph. 4:30-5:2; Jn. 6:41-51

WEEKLY OFFERING



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Thank you so much for your financial support and for living your financial commitment to your parish. We are grateful for those who generously support the parish. **We need your support** to achieve our weekly collection goal of \$6,000 per Sunday which is essential to the financial health of your parish.

For the weekend of July 26, 380 people attended Mass. The collection in church amounted to \$3,059. ParishPay donations for the past week were \$2,261, contributing to a weekend collection of \$5,320. This is \$680 below our weekly goal of \$6,000.

If you have been away from church traveling for any reason, we encourage you to "make up" your contributions. A very important way in which you can support your parish is to enroll in ParishPay. To sign up, go to www.parishpay.com and follow the prompts. Thank you.

SUMMER RETREATS AT THE MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER

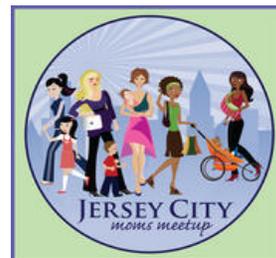
Family Retreats (Seven One-Week Sessions available up to the week of August 24). Join other families (grandparents welcome) for a week of liturgies, presentations, peer group discussions, family sharing, fun activities and swimming. All join in community tasks such as meal clean-up.

Cost is \$210 per person (8 years to adults) and \$135 per person (2-7 years). Maximum family fee is \$1,250 per family/\$950 per single-parent family. Accommodations, meals and all activities are included. For more information on any of these programs, please call 609-884-3829 or visit their website at: www.capemaymarianists.org.



JERSEY CITY MOMS MEETUP

Have kids? New in town? Want to meet other families? Check out Jersey City Moms Meetup at: www.meetup.com/jerseycitymoms. The group's overall goal is to foster friendships for moms and their families. They host a variety of family-friendly events that include husbands, partners and extended family members. They help many families connect to the greater JC community by providing opportunities to get



together with other moms and families in the neighborhood by setting up play dates, exchanging information, sharing experiences and providing support, as well as connecting to other moms on their message boards.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm	August 1, 2015 Helen and Bruno Ruskowski Jr. From <i>Bruno Ruskowski</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	August 2, 2015 Dorothy Agnes Grom From <i>Maggie and Lenny Englese</i>
12:30 pm	Leticia Asuzano From <i>Luvie Malicsi</i>
7:00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday 12:30 pm	August 3, 2015 Richard Paladino From <i>Michael and Amy Zupetz</i>
Tuesday 12:30 pm	August 4, 2015 Michail Kyc (25 th Ann.) From <i>Family</i>
Wednesday 12:30 pm	August 5, 2015 Communion Service
Thursday 12:30 pm	August 6, 2015 Jeannette Kerbaj From <i>Kerbaj Family</i>
Friday 12:30 pm	August 7, 2015 Mary Colainni From <i>Mary McGreal</i>
Saturday 5:00 pm	August 8, 2015 Henry, Charles, Edward, Joseph, Thomas, John and Robert Stapinski From <i>Terri, Sister and Ted, Brother-in-law</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	August 9, 2015 Janey Cheu From <i>Noreen Feehan</i>
12:30 pm	Janey Cheu From <i>Matty and Ed Hiott</i>
7:00 pm	People of the Parish

Attend daily Mass. It will make a difference in your life!

STEWARDSHIP



"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." - Exodus 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, God calls us to be content with a fair portion and to be willing to share the rest.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES SEPTEMBER 22-25, 2015

Held every three years and sponsored by the Holy See's Pontifical Council for the Family, the World Meeting of Families is the world's largest Catholic gathering

of families. Each World Meeting of Families has a theme that energizes and enlivens the event while adding great depth of meaning to our understanding of families. The theme of the World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015 is "Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive," emphasizing the impact of the love and life of families on our society. Although the Holy Father will not be at the event, he will be in Philadelphia that week. For more information on the World Meeting, please visit: www.worldmeeting2015.org.

ARTIST TALKS AT THE DRAWING ROOMS



Enjoy artist talks at the Drawing Rooms! Meet Alan Walker at 3 pm and Ellie Murphy at 4 pm on August 2nd; Marianne DeAngelis at 3 pm, Meg Atkinson at 4 pm and Roger W. Sayre at 5 pm on August 9th. "Color Rules" is an exhibition engaging the expression, experience and impact of color. Curated by Anne Trauben, our nine gallery rooms feature painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, collage and installation by Alan Walker, Andy Wilhelm, Dana Kane, Ellen Hackl Fagan, Ellie Murphy, Glenn Garver, Marianne DeAngelis, Meg Atkinson and Roger Sayre. Paintings on paper by Doug Holst in The Tenth Room Gallery Shop. Color is described as the property possessed by an object that produces different sensations on the eye as a result of the way the object reflects or emits light. From meaning and symbolism of early Christian art, Impressionism, the Fauves and Color Field, etc., artists have been forever fascinated by color - and not just painters of course. See "Color Rules" now through August 16. Gallery is located at 180 Grand Street. Exhibit is open Thursday – Friday, 4-7 pm and Saturday – Sunday, 2-6 pm. For more information, call 201-823-9393 or email: vic-toryhall1@msn.com.

WIDOWS BUTTERFLY RETREAT AT THE MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER

You are invited to renew and relax at our mid-week retreat with our community of widows. Event is scheduled September 22-24, 2015 (Tuesday through Thursday).



Cost is \$120 per person. Accommodations, meals and all activities are included. Financial aid available. For more information on this program, please call Madge Hempsey at 856-848-5346 or visit their website at: www.capemaymarianists.org.

FAITH-BASED MARRIAGE WEBSITE



The "For Your Marriage" website offers practical information and resources for married and engaged couples and people in serious dating relationships. In addition to articles on all stages of married life, the website features a Daily Marriage Tip, blogs, quizzes, book reviews, and Marriage in the News. Whether you're interested in marriage preparation or enrichment, or what the Catholic Church teaches about marriage, you'll almost certainly find what you need. The website has extensive resources for engaged couples, including the texts of suggested wedding readings and commentaries. It also offers information about music, ceremony options, interchurch marriages, and "Ten Tips" for planning a memorable wedding. The website was launched in 2007 as part of the Bishops' National Pastoral Initiative for Marriage. Strengthening marriage and family life is one of the USCCB's five priorities. For more information, please go to: www.foryourmarriage.org.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

We are now enrolling children for the reception of their sacraments (First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation) for 2016. Registration will take place in the rectory be-



tween 10:00 am and 4:45 pm. When you register, we will require a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. The offering for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is \$120. The offering for Confirmation is \$60.

If your child is receiving Confirmation in 8th grade, 7th graders must register for our two-year program.

Should you have any questions, please call the rectory at 201-434-0798.

JOIN A PARISH MINISTRY



Please consider joining one of our parish ministries, which are always in need of new members. Schedules for Masses are flexible and take your preferences and availability into account. For information, call the rectory, speak to Fr. Tom after

Mass, or contact one of the following persons:

Altar Servers or Eucharistic Ministers – Fr.

Tom, OLC rectory, **201-434-0798**

Choir – Ben Rauch, email: Directorofmusic@olcj.org.

Lectors – Pat Duemig, **201-955-1495**

Serve Donuts After 10:00 am Mass – call OLC rectory, **201-434-0798**.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS APPEAL



Please take the time to make a pledge or donation to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Your contribution is used to conduct charitable, spiritual and ministerial programs that benefit many throughout the Archdiocese. Your contributions are not used to pay bills or any other expenses associated with the operation of the Archdiocese.

To date, we have reached 42% of our goal of \$38,076.00. With your help, we can realize our total parish goal and receive a rebate. Remember, it is only through your commitment that we can provide the services and necessities for the needy in our community. Please be as generous as possible. For those who have already made a contribution, thank you for your support. If you made a pledge and have not received monthly reminders, please call 973-497-4043.

COOPERATIVE (COOP) ADMISSION EXAM FOR INCOMING EIGHTH-GRADERS

The Cooperative Admissions Examination for 2015 for Eighth-grade students will be offered on Friday, November 6, 2015. The COOP is for students applying for fall 2016 admission to Catholic high schools in the



COOP
EXAM



Archdiocese of Newark and the Diocese of Paterson. The test will be conducted at established test sites in the Archdiocese of Newark (Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Union, and Rockland counties) and the Diocese of Paterson (Passaic, Morris, and Sussex counties). The COOP is designed to measure scholastic aptitude in verbal and non-verbal abilities, and achievement in reading, mathematics, and language. Beginning September 1, you may obtain an application and handbook from a Catholic elementary or high school. You may also write to the Cooperative Admissions Examination Office at the address below. To apply online, visit the COOP web page at www.coopexam.org or call 1-888-921-2667 (888-921-COOP) weekdays between 8:30 am and 8:30 pm. The examination fee of \$60.00 will include reporting scores to three high schools of your choice. Applications and fees will be processed from September 1, 2015 through October 13, 2015. By applying early, you will have a much better chance of being assigned to a test site of your choice. For more information, please email: support@coopexam.org. You may also contact the Archdiocese of Newark at: www.rcan.org or the Diocese of Paterson at: www.pater-sondiocese.org. The Cooperative Admissions Examination Office address is: MCS Scoring Center, 4603 Middle Country Road, Calverton, NY 11933.