



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.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 21, 2015



Congratulations to the Class of 2015! We wish them every success and God's blessings in their future endeavors. Front row, left to right: Isabella Otero, Leticia Pereira, Julia Lindskog, Fatima Velazco, Christian Madlansacay. Back row, left to right: Cody Managere, Jessica Massa, Andre Reyes, Dea Franzek, Maeve McNally-Cullum.

FATHER'S DAY PRAYERS

Let us praise those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a good father.

Let us praise those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. Let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by the neglect and hostility of their children.

Let us praise those fathers who, despite divorce, have remained in their children's lives. Let us praise those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has offered healing.

Let us praise those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their stepchildren's love and respect. Let us praise those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart.

Let us praise those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own.

Let us praise those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides.

Let us praise those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children. And let us praise those fathers who have died, but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

~ Kirk Loadman

Father's Day Prayer

*Lord, I Thank you for my dad
Please take care of him
He is getting older,
but he is still brave and bold
Please take care of him
Amen*

Father's Day Prayer

*Thank you, friend Jesus,
for my father who loves me,
for my grandfather who cares for me
and for God, my eternal father,
who made me and is always with me.
How Blessed I am!
Amen*

Happy Father's Day

MASS INTENTIONS



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: "Little Hand" exhibit now through June 28. See page 4 for more information. The galleries are open Thursday – Friday, 4-7 pm, & Saturday – Sunday, 2-6 pm. (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, June 21, 2015

Jb. 38:1, 8-11; 2 Cor. 5:14-17;

Mk. 4:35-41

Sunday, June 28, 2015

Wis. 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Cor. 8:7, 9, 13-15;

Mk. 5:21-43

WEEKLY OFFERING



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 June 14, 348 people attended Mass. The collection in church amounted to \$3,566. ParishPay donations for the past week were \$2,507, contributing to a weekend collection of \$5,798. This is \$202 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

Single-Parent Family Retreat (July 20-25, 2015) and Family Retreats (Seven One-Week Sessions available beginning June 29). 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.cape-maymarianists.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/jersecitymoms. 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	June 20, 2015 Dennis Piatkowski From <i>Michael Riccardone</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	June 21, 2015 Charles Czysz and Family From <i>Laura Czysz and Cathy, Fred & Allie Savage</i>
12:30 pm	Monica and Joe Donnelly From <i>Monica</i>
7:00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday 12:30 pm	June 22, 2015 Santiago Bitar From <i>Kerbaj Family</i>
Tuesday 12:30 pm	June 23, 2015 Edward Ciba (12 th Ann.) From <i>Family</i>
Wednesday 12:30 pm	June 24, 2015 Communion Service
Thursday 12:30 pm	June 25, 2015 William Bromirski From <i>OLC Seniors</i>
Friday 12:30 pm	June 26, 2015 Don Puckey (1 st Ann.) From <i>Friend</i>
Saturday 5:00 pm	June 27, 2015 Sophie Brozowski (50 th Ann.) From <i>Blanche Przyblinski (daughter) and Barbara & Donna (granddaughters)</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	June 28, 2015 Barbara Speck From <i>Julia Nowatowski</i>
12:30 pm	Andrew Carvalho From <i>Carvalhos and Mascarenhas</i>
7:00 pm	People of the Parish

The Tabernacle Candle and Bread & Wine will be offered in Memory of Sophie Brozowski

From daughter Blanche Przyblinski and granddaughters Barbara & Donna

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

STEWARDSHIP



"He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?'"
— Mark 4:40

Most of us like to be in control. Loss of control makes us fearful. Try changing your perspective, let God be the pilot!

There's an old saying "do you want to make God laugh? Tell him your plans." Put your trust in God, He always has a better plan.

EXHIBIT AT THE DRAWING ROOMS

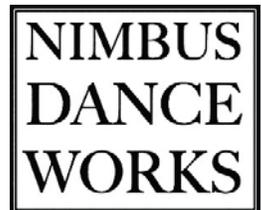
"Little Hand" features eight artists creating organic and animated abstracted painting, drawing and sculpture, each in their own way. Drawing from a pop sensibility, a lil' humor, kinda awkward and bashful (yet at the same time also bold and confident) with a bit of a quirk factor- these 2-D and 3-D works seem familiar, yet they are not and allude to a narrative, yet there is no narrative. (Does this unique imagery come from a sort of collective unconscious?) What we've got here is a new language of abstraction that's being explored, invented and extended. Exhibit will run from May 22 through June 28. The Special Project Room featuring one artist's black & white photographs will also be open. Join us at the Convent on 180 Grand Street, Jersey City.



JERSEY CITY SUMMER ARTS CAMP



Jersey City Children's Theater and Nimbus Dance Works will offer dance, theater and music camp this summer. "Gods, Goddesses & Heroes: World Mythology" through theater, dance and song for ages 4-11. Students ages 12 and up can check out the Summer Conservatory Program. Both camps are available June 22-July 31 at the Barrow Mansion, 83 Wayne Street, Jersey City. Register online at www.jcchildrenstheater.org. For more information, please email: summer@jcchildrenstheater.org or call 201-290-9202. Need-based scholarships are available.



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.



MARRIAGE AT OLC

We congratulate

*Katherine Riopel and Jeffrey Suell
who celebrated their*

Marriage ceremony on Saturday, June 13, 2015



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.

DO YOU KNOW?



The modern version of the Father's Day celebration originated in United States and thereafter the tradition spread in countries around the world.

The idea of A Father's Day celebration originated in Sonora Smart Dodd's mind after listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Sonora wondered if there was a day to honor mothers then why not have a day for fathers? Her own father was a Civil War veteran, a devoted family man who lovingly raised

six children in Spokane after Sonora's mother died in childbirth. Inspired by Anna Jarvis's struggle to promote Mother's Day, Sonora began a rigorous campaign to celebrate Father's Day. As a result Spokane celebrated its first Father's Day on June 19, 1910. The idea gained gradual popularity and Father's Day came to be celebrated all over the U.S.

Presidents Woodrow Wilson and Calvin Coolidge both supported the idea of a national Father's Day to "establish more intimate relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligations". Finally, in 1966 President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day. Then in 1972, President Richard Nixon established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday of June. Sonora Smart Dodd was honored for her contribution at the World's Fair in Spokane in 1974.

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:



July 5, 2015; September 13, 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:

August 2, 2015; October 4, 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.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Our RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is now beginning. This program is intended for adults who desire to become Catholic. It is also intended for adults who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.



If you wish to join in the program, please contact the rectory. Completing the program, an unbaptized candidate will be baptized during the Easter Vigil, 2016. All others will receive their appropriate sacraments during the Easter season 2016.