



# OLC

## 1911 – 2017

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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 on 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

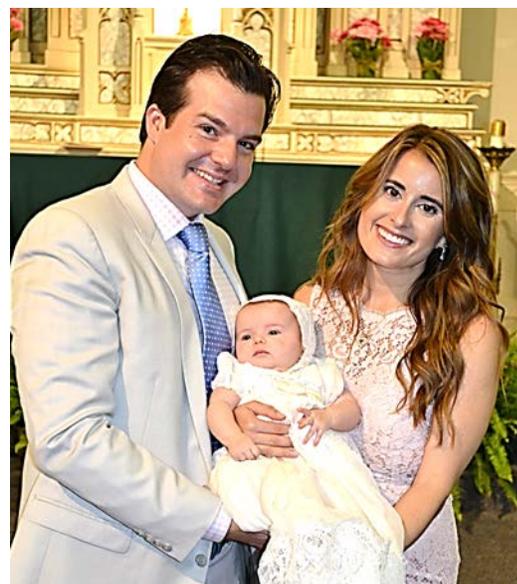
We work together to proclaim and live the Gospel on the Hudson River Waterfront by sharing our time, energy, and resources, and in doing so, we more powerfully witness the presence of Christ.

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 25, 2017**

## GRADUATION AND BAPTISM AT OLC CHURCH



Sixteen 8<sup>th</sup> graders from the OLC School graduated on Friday, June 16. We wish them every success and God's blessings in their future endeavors. Congratulations to the Class of 2017! They are, in alphabetical order: Jonathan Balboni, Dylan Baquiran, Maximo Barilari, David Brzostowski, Jillian Chung, Saira Dadlani, Jose Garcia, Seha Khan, Ian Lee, Kashish Makker, Sydney Mattie, Lukas Mazurczyk, Ricardo Otero, William Santo, Jagjit Singh and Amanda Vu.



Congratulations to Harrison and Elizabeth who celebrated the baptism of their daughter Alba Grace Piazza this past Sunday

### 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](http://www.olcjc.org) and reference "Formation and Sacraments." Follow the link to "Baptism of Children," or call the rectory. Upcoming dates are:

**July 2, 2017; September 10, 2017**

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 6, 2017; October 1, 2017**

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. The application is free and only takes a few minutes.

### OLC CHORUS VISITS ST. ANN'S HOME

On Saturday, June 10 OLC's Chorus, headed by our Music Director Ben Rauch, visited the residents at Peace Care St. Ann's Home in Jersey City. They sang popular Easter songs to a very appreciative crowd.



## 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@olcjc.org](mailto:secretary@olcjc.org).

## 2017 EVENTS AT OLC

**OLC Seniors:** Meetings will resume in September. For more information, please contact Dorothy Bromirski at 201-333-4888.

**The OLC Adult Choir:** The choir rehearsal takes place on Sundays, 11:15 am and then sing at the 12:30 pm Mass. Please contact our music director Ben Rauch at: [Directorofmusic@olcjc.org](mailto:Directorofmusic@olcjc.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 25, 2017

Jer. 20:10-13; Rom. 5:12-15; Mt. 10:26-33

### Sunday, July 2, 2017

2 Kgs. 4:8-11, 14-16; Rom. 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt. 10:37-42

## 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.

## OLC continues to face a financial crisis.

While our collections were up during the Easter Season, they have been dropping below our \$6,000 weekly goal again. Therefore, we still expect financial difficulties as we go forward. We ask a few things of you:

1. Use Parishpay if you cannot attend Mass each weekend.
2. Increase your weekly donation. We really need people to be as generous as possible each week to support the parish.
3. If you do not use Parishpay, please "make up" your regular donation the next time you attend Mass. To sign up for ParishPay, go to [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) and follow the prompts.

For the weekend of June 17/18, 425 people attended Mass. The collection in church amounted to \$3,205. ParishPay donations for the past week were \$2,329 contributing to a weekend collection of \$5,534. This is \$466 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. Remember that although it is important to support your parish financially, your donation is ultimately a gift back to God for his blessings.



## LOW-COST WELLNESS CLINIC FOR PETS

We want to help you keep your pet healthy! Liberty Humane Society offers low-cost preventative pet health services to the public every Wednesday from 4:00 pm-6:00 pm. Pets are seen on a first-come, first-served basis. The Liberty Humane Society is located at 235 Jersey City Blvd. Jersey City, NJ 07305 (across from the Liberty Science Center).



## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

We are enrolling children for the reception of their sacraments (First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation) for 2018. Registration will take place in the rectory between 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.

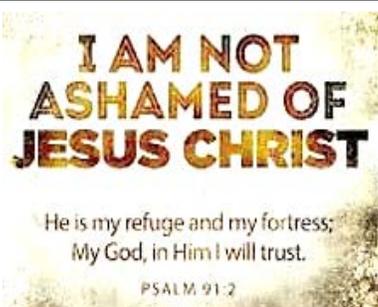
If your child is receiving Confirmation in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup> graders must register for our two-year program. Should you have any questions, please call the rectory at **201-434-0798**.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| <b>Saturday</b><br>5:00 pm   | <b>June 24, 2017</b><br>John Paul Salcedo<br>From <i>Family</i>  |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>10:00 am    | <b>June 25, 2017</b><br>Intentions of Erin and Celine Lee<br>From <i>Family</i>  |
| 12:30 pm                     | Ankica Pancel<br>From <i>Anna Cruz</i>   |
| 7:00 pm                      | People of the Parish   |
| <b>Monday</b><br>12:30 pm    | <b>June 26, 2017</b><br>Intentions of Claire and Jean-Marc Berthier<br>From <i>Kim Mom</i>   |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>12:30 pm   | <b>June 27, 2017</b><br>Anthony Lipari<br>From <i>Michael Burke</i>  |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>12:30 pm | <b>June 28, 2017</b><br>Communion Service  |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>12:30 pm  | <b>June 29, 2017</b><br>Ann C. Sudol, on her birthday<br>From <i>Son</i>   |
| <b>Friday</b><br>12:30 pm    | <b>June 30, 2017</b><br>Alyce Raieski<br>From <i>OLC Seniors</i>   |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>5:00 pm   | <b>July 1, 2017</b><br>Lucy Furka<br>From <i>Julia Nowatkowski</i>   |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>10:00 am    | <b>July 2, 2017</b><br>Deceased Members of the Siwik Family (Grandparents Katherine and Alexander & Aunt Helen and Uncle Charlie)<br>From <i>Donna Simon</i> |
| 12:30 pm                     | Elizabeth and Peter Boyle<br>From <i>granddaughter Kathleen</i>  |
| 7:00 pm                      | People of the Parish   |

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

## STEWARDSHIP



*"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."*  
- Matthew 10:32

Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith or do you remain silent when the situation arises? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself.

## WORLD YOUTH DAY UNITE FESTIVAL

On Saturday, July 22, join other young adults (18 to 39 years of age) and young families for a day of inspiring talks, amazing worship, a unity walk with Mary, dinner, entertainment and an incredible experience of Eucharistic Adoration. The festival will be held at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C. Early bird registration discount ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Register at [www.wydunite.com](http://www.wydunite.com). To learn more about the day or to inquire about the **FREE** transportation being provided by the Archdiocese of Newark, please go to [www.newarkoym.com](http://www.newarkoym.com) or contact Rich Donovan at 201-998-0088 ext. 4150 for more information.



## GRACE IN THE LGBT COMMUNITY

Following the lead of Cardinal Joseph Tobin, Our Lady of Grace/St. Joseph Church, Hoboken, invites members of the Hoboken, Jersey City and North Hudson LGBT community to a meeting on Monday, July 10, 2017, to talk about how the Catholic Church can minister more effectively to the LGBT community. The meeting will run 7:30 to 9:00 PM in the air-conditioned choir room of the church. There is a ramp, handicapped entrance and a garden entrance. There is limited parking in the Willow Ave. lot. Parents and family of the LGBT community are invited. Please spread the word. Registration is not required but you may send an e-mail to Fr. Alex Santora: [padrealex@yahoo.com](mailto:padrealex@yahoo.com) with comments or indication of attendance. Address is 400 Willow Ave., Hoboken. For more information, call 201-659-0369.

## SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL WE ARE LIVING STONES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

This year's Appeal and last year's Living Stones Capital Campaign have continued to support the many good works of the ministries throughout the Archdiocese. Here are just two examples:

On May 27, seven men were ordained as priests at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, NJ. The Rev. Msgr. Philip Micele said, "I am deeply grateful for all the support, both financial and spiritual, which the people of the Archdiocese of Newark have provided us...During my years as a seminarian, I can say I've experienced a lot of personal growth, and so much of that is due to the generosity of the people of the Archdiocese of Newark."

The Archdiocese of Newark welcomed 499 catechumens and 693 candidates at the Easter Vigil on April 15. The Parish Renewal Fund, established by the We Are Living Stones Capital Campaign, will enable parishes to apply for grants to enhance their evangelization efforts as well as religious education programs.

To learn more about the ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark, please visit [www.rcan.org/sharing](http://www.rcan.org/sharing) or like them on face book at 'Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark' or tweet us at @NwkArchdiocese!

## FAMILY BEACH RETREATS AT THE MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER



### Single-Parent Family Retreat (July 17-22, 2017).

Join other families (grandparents welcome) for a week of liturgies, presentations, peer group discussions, family sharing, fun activities and swimming in Cape May, NJ. 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.

**Summer Family Retreat Weeks (One-Week Sessions available now through August 26, 2017).** Join other families (grandparents welcome) for a week of liturgies, presentations, peer group discussions, family sharing, fun activities and swimming in Cape May, NJ. All join in community tasks such as meal clean-up. Cost is \$215 per person (8 years to adults) and \$140 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. Financial aid is available for these programs. For more information on these retreats, please call 609-884-3829 or visit their website at: [www.capemay-marianists.org](http://www.capemay-marianists.org).

## FAITH WORKS

Please remember to make a donation of non-perishable food items to support our "Faith Works Program." This is a very important work of charity that has benefited many in our community. We accept all canned and jarred non-perishable foods (vegetables, soups, tuna, canned meats, gravies, etc.). We also accept toiletries. Thank you for your contributions! **However, we must ask that only food be left on the back table as we cannot accept clothing at this time.**



## BECOME A BETTER HEALTHCARE CONSUMER



Perhaps you don't even have a prescription plan.

Would you like to save money on your prescriptions? Not everyone has an excellent prescription plan. Would you like to shop around for the best prices for your medications, but cannot personally visit pharmacies? How would you like to have discount cards to purchase your medications?

You can find the answers to these questions online. You can also obtain discount cards. Listed below are some websites where you can compare prescription pricing from pharmacy to pharmacy.

Needy Meds: <http://www.needymeds.org/>

Good Rx: [www.goodrx.com/](http://www.goodrx.com/)

Blink Health: <https://www.blinkhealth.com/>

Well Rx (ScriptSave): <https://www.wellrx.com/>

WebMDRx: <http://www.webmd.com/rx>

You can print card(s) from these sites, as well as find pricing information. One person used the "Needy Meds" Discount Card and confirmed that for her Rx Eye Drops, it was the least expensive. Furthermore, the price for her selected pharmacy (ShopRite) was 100% accurate.

## TEEN CHALLENGE NEW JERSEY FAITH-BASED DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT PROGRAM



Teen Challenge is a 15-month Christian residential drug and alcohol recovery program for men and women 18 years and older. There are eight centers across the New England states and New Jersey. The program has a strong, faith-based approach and offers spiritual, academic, and vocational training that equips individuals to return to society as responsible citizens. It is the organization's mission that every student who graduates the program leaves with a GED or HiSet diploma. They offer Aftercare Planning and Development with five different track options to help the student's transition back into society with success. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older, demonstrate a sincere desire to change, and willing to consider a Christian treatment approach. For more information, please go to their website: [www.tcnewjersey.org](http://www.tcnewjersey.org), call 973-374-226 or email [director@tcnewjersey.org](mailto:director@tcnewjersey.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](http://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.

