



OLC

1911 – 2018

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.

Rev. Bryan E. Page
Parish Administrator

Rev. Gerard J. Sudol
In Residence

Rev. Anthony Azzarto, S.J.
Weekend Assistant

Rev. David Stump, S.J.
Weekend Assistant

Rev. Thomas J. Ciba
Pastor Emeritus

Mrs. Anna Mae Stefanelli
Principal

Mr. Ben Rauch
Director of Music

Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday: 12:30 pm (Church open from 12:00 noon to 1:15 pm; Wednesday – Friday from 2:30 to 3:30 pm)

Saturday: 5:00 pm, Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00 am (Polish), 10:00 am, 12:30 pm and 7:00 pm

Note: St. Anthony of Padua, 330 Sixth Street, Jersey City, is the Center for Polish Ministry in Jersey City.

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 Offering. 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 – A Blue Ribbon School

Shaping Young Minds for a Brighter Future
248 Luis Marin Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07302

Grades K - 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: Tiny Tikes Program for 2-year-olds; Pre-Kindergarten Programs for 3- & 4-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.

Parish Office
201-434-0798

Fax
201-985-0918

Email
frb@olcjc.org
fr.gerry@olcjc.org
bulletin@olcjc.org

Websites
www.olcjc.org
www.olcschool.org

The OLC School
201-434-2405

Little Harbor Academy
201-434-6708

Counseling, Ann Tedeschi,
LCSW,*
201-339-3372, 201-725-8154

Counseling, Relief & Solutions
Counseling,* 201-666-2400

*Not affiliated with OLC

Corpus Christi Sunday – June 3, 2018

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Summer is a time to which we all look forward. School is out; trees are in bloom; a time for early evening walks and planning that well-deserved vacation.

Summer is also a time where everything around us seems to “come alive,” and this should remind us of the great abundance of God’s creations. Unlike us, God takes no vacation, He continues to give His unconditional love to all of us.

I pray that each of you takes no vacation from God and continues to attend mass, live the Christian life, and support our Parish during the summer (as you do the rest of the year).

Please keep in mind that the Parish must continue to meet its financial obligations during the summer months, such as the payroll, health insurance premiums, gas and electric bills, normal repairs and maintenance, and the community and evangelical projects that will be addressed during the summer months.

Just as God gives each summer to us, consider thanking Him through a special summer contribution or pledge. Remember that everyone may not be able to make the same contribution, but everyone can essentially make the same sacrifice.

On behalf of the Administration of the Parish, I wish you all a very happy and safe summer.

God bless you and keep you always,

Fr. Bryan



MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMS



If you are engaged to be married and desire the blessing of God on your union, you must first contact the parish. Ideally, this should be done at least one year in advance of your wedding. A couple may not register for marriage preparation programs until they have met with the priest/deacon preparing them for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Pre-Cana Conferences –

July 7, July 8, August 11 from 9:30-4:00 pm at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark NJ
September 22 from 9:30 am-4:00 pm at St. Mary, Jersey City NJ

September 23 at 2:00 pm & September 28 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Visitation, 234 Fairview Avenue, Paramus NJ

(To register, please visit www.rcan.org/precana. \$100 per couple)

God’s Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage –

July 22, August 25, September 16 from 9:00-4:00 pm at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark NJ

August 4 from 9:00-4:00 pm at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 1 Passaic Street, Ridgewood NJ

September 23 from 12:00 noon-6:30 pm at St. Michael, 40 Alden Street, Cranford NJ
September 29 from 9:00 am-4:00 pm at St. Stephen, 141 Washington Avenue, Kearny NJ
(To register, please visit www.joyfilledmarriagenj.org. \$125 per couple)

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 continue that spiritual and loving connection we had when they walked this earth.

Remembering someone in our prayers 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. 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.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm	June 2, 2018 Bobby Englese From <i>Julia Nowatkowski</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	June 3, 2018 Arnel Lacza From <i>Leny Isidro</i>
12:30 pm	Cesar Paguiligan From <i>Leny Isidro</i>
7:00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday 9:30 pm	June 4, 2018 Maria Bargiel From <i>Friends at work</i>
Tuesday 12:30 pm	June 5, 2018 Jeremy Mitchell From <i>Michael Burke</i>
Wednesday 12:30 pm	June 6, 2018 Good Health and Healing of Zhi Jie Tchao From <i>J. and S. Tchao</i>
Thursday 12:30 pm	June 7, 2018 Andrea Rilli and Al Anchata From <i>Marie Hettiarachchi</i>
Friday 12:30 pm	June 8, 2018 Severina Wondolowski From <i>Pat and Tom Duemig</i>
Saturday 5:00 pm	June 9, 2018 William Bromirski From <i>Wife and Children</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	June 10, 2018 Severina Wondolowski From <i>Elaine and Dan Lescanic</i>
12:30 pm	Eleanor Benevento From <i>Laura Czysz and Ken Heiser</i>
7:00 pm	People of the Parish

Attend daily Mass.

It will make a difference in your life!

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

Sunday, June 3, 2018

Ex. 24:3-8; Heb. 9:11-15; Mk. 14:12-16, 22-26

Sunday, June 10, 2018

Gn. 3:9-15; 2 Cor. 4:13-5:1; Mk. 3:20-35

LOOKING FOR ALTAR SERVERS

OLC Church needs altar servers! Any child who is in third grade and has received First Holy Communion, or is a young person in middle school or high school, is welcome to become an altar server in our parish. Prospective altar servers must have their parent's or guardian's permission. Please note that all altar servers will be required to attend some training sessions

and to commit to availability for scheduled Saturday/Sunday and Holy Day Masses. This is an important ministry and we hope you will consider it! Parents or guardians, please send an email to the rectory with your child's name, email and phone number to: bulletin@olcjc.org.



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 1, 2018; September 9, 2018

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, pre-registration is extremely helpful**). Upcoming dates are:

August 5, 2018; October 7, 2018

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.

FAITH WORKS

Please remember to make a donation of non-perishable food items next 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. Suggested items are soups, canned fish and meats, gravies (Italian and brown), pasta, rice, cereals, oatmeal, flower, sugar, condiments, cookies, crackers, etc.

We accept toiletries such as soap, shampoos, toothpaste, combs, hair products, etc.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OLC



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

Juice and Donuts: Every Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass. Snacks are served either outside or in the church hall depending on the weather. If you wish to donate snacks, please go to the following website to sign up: <https://ti-nyurl.com/olcdonutsspring18>. You may also contact Francis Sacr at 201-281-4655.

The OLC Adult Choir: Rehearsals are held on Sundays at 11:15 am. Participants then sing at the 12:30 pm Mass. Please email the Director of Music, Ben Rauch, at directorofmusic@olcj.org.

OLC Seniors: Group meets monthly in the church hall. The next meeting is June 13. Lunch will be served. New members welcome (must be 55 and over). For more information, call Dorothy Bromirski at 201-333-4888.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Thank you for living your financial commitment to our parish. We are grateful for your generosity.

For the weekend of May 26/27, **326** people attended Mass. The collection in church amounted to \$2,458 and WeShare donations were \$676 contributing to a week-end collection of **\$3,134**. Thank you.



Weekly
OFFERING

STEWARDSHIP



"Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it." - Mark 14:23

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself to us completely for our salvation. He offers us the chance to drink from His cup. In the Eucharist, we meet Christ personally and,

if we listen to Him, we know what drinking from His cup means for each of us. Often, it means our own sacrifice – giving up some of our time, talent and treasure to do His work on earth.

LUCIE GOOSIE TODDLER ENRICHMENT

Lucie Goosie is a toddler drop-off for children 18 months to 3½ years old. Drop off your little ones in a safe and nurturing environment Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 12 noon. They offer play-based learning, featuring creative movement, music, and literacy de-

velopment in a social environment. For more information, please check out their website on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/luciegoosieplayspace>.

SEPARATED/DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUPS



It's true...there's no such thing as "Catholic Divorce"...but millions of Catholics DO get civilly divorced. Maybe you or someone you know has suffered the breakdown of the marriage and family, or maybe they are going through it right now. No matter how long it's been, the Church is HERE to help. There are 13 parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark who offer a support group for the divorced and/or separated. Contact Lauren Egan at Lauren.Egan@rcan.org or 1-973-497-4327 for more information, or go to: www.rcan.org/separateddivorced-support-groups.

SUMMER PROGRAMS AT THE MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER



Spring Spiritual Getaway (June 12-14, 2018).

There's no required program to follow. You're invited to join in the daily Eucharist, morning and evening prayer, and meals with the Marianist Community members. Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or spiritual direction are usually available. This mid-week retreat is for men and women. Cost is \$125 per person.

Single-Parent Family Retreat (July 16-21, 2018).

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 \$145 per person (2-7 years). Maximum fee is \$950 per family.

Summer Family Retreat Weeks (One-Week Sessions available from June 25-August 25, 2018).

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 \$145 per person (2-7 years). Maximum family fee is \$1,300 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 Anthony Fucci at 609-884-3829 or visit their website at: www.capemaymarianists.org. The Retreat Center is located at 417 Yale Avenue in Cape May Point, NJ.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY



the LFL steward Melissa, at mafslp97@yahoo.com.

Please check out the Little Free Library (LFL) located at Four Corners Park on the corner of Washington and Grand Streets! LFL is a great way to share books. The idea is to “take a book, read a book, donate a book.” The donation can be any book, not necessarily the one you borrowed. Adult or children’s books are welcome; there is a shelf for each. For more information, please email

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.



LOW-COST WELLNESS CLINIC FOR PETS



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). For more information, please go to their website at www.libertyhumane.org or call 201-547-4147.

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

DIGITAL PRINTING PROGRAM FOR OUT-OF-SCHOOL/JOB-SEEKING YOUTHS

Hudson Community Enterprises is offering a 12-week digital printing program for young people ages 16-24. Students will earn while they learn! Classes will fill up fast. Start dates are July 2, August 6 and Sep-

tember 10. Applicants must be out of school, unemployed and a Jersey City resident. To schedule a tour or learn more about the program, please call Abbe Morrello (ext. 228) or Sarah Barks (ext. 437) at 201-434-3303. Hudson Community Enterprises is located at 68-70 Tuers Avenue in Jersey City.

NEW JERSEY ADDICTION HOTLINES AND RESOURCES

Opioid Epidemic Practical Toolkit

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/agencies/iea/partnerships/opioid-toolkit/index.html>

Addiction Services Hotline – 844-276-2777

24/7 service providing info/referral to substance abuse treatment agencies statewide

Licensed Addiction Services Treatment Directory (available by county):

<https://njsams.rutgers.edu/dastxdirectory/txdirmain.htm>

NJ Connect for Recovery – 855-652-3737

Support services from certified alcohol and drug counselors/peer specialists for both those concerned about their own opioid use and those concerned about a friend/family member

NJ MentalHealthCares Helpline – 866-202-4357

Directs callers to appropriate mental health care service entry points

NJ Hope Line – 855-654-6735

24/7 peer support and suicide prevention hotline

Narcotics Anonymous –

24-Hour Helpline: 800-992-0401 or 732-933-0462

Website: nani.org

Community-based nonprofit fellowship of people with opioid use disorder providing 12-Step meetings and other resources

Alcoholics Anonymous –

24-Hour Helpline: 800-245-1377 or 908-687-8566

Website: naja.org

Community-based nonprofit fellowship of people with alcoholism providing 12-Step meetings and other resources

Family Anonymous – 800-736-9805

Website: familiesanonymous.org

Fellowship for friends/families of people with substance use disorder or related behavioral problems

Al-Anon/Alateen – 888-425-2666

Website: alanon.org

Fellowship for families, friends and children of alcoholics

Prescription Drug Drop Box Locations (available by county):

<http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/meddrop/pages/locations.aspx>

Free Naloxone Trainings in NJ (available by region):

<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/initiatives/naloxone.html>