

# OLC

1911 – 2019

## 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.

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#### Office Hours

Monday-Friday

9:30 am-5:30 pm

### 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: 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.

### 10:00 am “Children’s Liturgy of the Word”

We provide a Faith Formation program called “Children’s Liturgy of the Word” for children 2½ years+ and their parents during the 10:00 am Sunday Mass.

### Confessions/Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm in the church or 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 at [olcjc.org](http://olcjc.org) for more information.

### Catholic School Education

#### The OLC School

*Shaping Young Minds for a Brighter Future*

#### Lower School

248 Luis Marin Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07302

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#### The Little Harbor Academy

*The Early Childhood Division of the OLC School*

186 Grand Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302

Tiny Tikes Program for 2-year-olds;  
Pre-K Programs for 3 & 4-year-olds

201-434-6708

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 6, 2019**

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

We all strive for a life of virtue, and different virtues help us to excel in different areas of life. In the realm of Christian virtues, we know that the Theological Virtues (faith, hope, and love) help us to understand and live our relationship with God.

Similarly, the Cardinal Virtues (justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude) are the hinges on which the entire moral life swings. They help us to live with one another in respectful ways.

The Theological and Cardinal Virtues give us the support we need to keep the greatest commandment: Love God and love one another.

The Evangelical Virtues (courage, authenticity, and obedience) are those virtues, that when lived, naturally spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. There is something inherently attractive about those who are willing to confront fear, not trying to be someone they are not, and trust in the legitimate authority of the Church. These virtues are outlined in our second reading from St. Paul to Timothy, "God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather of power (courage) and love (authenticity) and self-control (obedience)." Below is a diagram I came up with that shows how the virtues are intertwined.

### **Faith + Temperance = Obedience**

We believe in Jesus, recognizing Him when times are tough, and seek Him in the storms, but we cannot value personal revelation over the community of the Church. Obedience is keeping both our personal relationship with Jesus and our communal relationship with the Church in the proper tension.

### **Hope + Prudence & Fortitude = Courage**

We are grounded in something beyond this world that enables us to take appropriate risks for the sake of the Kingdom of God. We fight through difficulties and endure problems, not because we are reckless, but rather to demonstrate that "With God, all things are possible."

### **Love + Justice = Authenticity**

Sacrifice and selflessness demonstrate gratitude for God, making you aware of all He has done and is doing in your life. When gratitude reigns supreme in our life and decision making, we desire to restore anything we may have broken. That can include material transgressions, such as stealing another's property or getting away with damaging something without telling the injured party. It can also mean the breaking of trust: having lied to, misled, or withheld something from someone you care about.

One is only able to live the Evangelical Virtues when they are convinced from their soul that Jesus is Lord, that He knows what is best for us, and is ALWAYS with us on our journey.

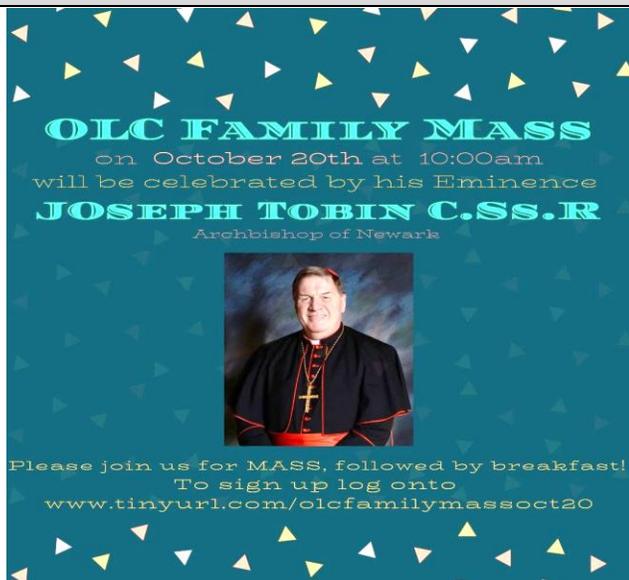
Our faith is not a zero-sum game; our faith increases when we share it. Evangelization is living a virtuous life.

God bless you always and please pray for me.

Love,

Fr. Bryan

### CARDINAL'S VISIT TO OLC



**OLC FAMILY MASS**  
on October 20th at 10:00am  
will be celebrated by his Eminence  
**JOSEPH TOBIN C.Ss.R**  
Archbishop of Newark



Please join us for MASS, followed by breakfast!  
To sign up log onto  
[www.tinyurl.com/olcfamilymassoct20](http://www.tinyurl.com/olcfamilymassoct20)

### DOUGHNUT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| <b>Saturday</b><br>12:00 pm<br>5:00 pm                   | <b>October 5, 2019</b><br>Blessing of Animals<br>Charles (11 <sup>th</sup> Ann.) and Mary Czysz<br>From <i>Laura Czysz; Cathy, Fred and Allie Savage</i>   |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>10:00 am<br><br>12:30 pm<br><br>7:00 pm | <b>October 6, 2019</b><br>Deceased Members of the Siwik<br>Family (grandparents Katherine and<br>Alexander & Aunt Helen and<br>Uncle Charlie)<br>From <i>Donna Simon</i><br>Charlotte Wisnilwski<br>From <i>Claire Warlikowski</i><br>People of the Parish |
| <b>Monday</b><br>12:30 pm                                | <b>October 7, 2019</b><br>Ronald Romanski<br>From <i>Walter and Mary Lou Olenhaus</i>  |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>12:30 pm                               | <b>October 8, 2019</b><br>Ronald Romanski<br>From <i>Edward, Amanda and Daniel Lasbowski</i>   |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>12:30 pm                             | <b>October 9, 2019</b><br>Rev. Timothy J. Horgan<br>From <i>OLC Parishioners</i>   |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>12:30 pm                              | <b>October 10, 2019</b><br>Blanche Kyc (20 <sup>th</sup> Ann.)<br>From <i>family</i>   |
| <b>Friday</b><br>12:30 pm                                | <b>October 11, 2019</b><br>Ella Ariel Jung<br>From <i>Laura Halstead</i>   |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>5:00 pm                               | <b>October 12, 2019</b><br>Lourdes Buencamino<br>From <i>L. Nery</i>   |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>10:00 am<br><br>12:30 pm<br><br>7:00 pm | <b>October 13, 2019</b><br>Michael Gardullo<br>From <i>wife</i><br>Bruno and Mary Listwan & Family<br>From <i>Laura Czysz; Cathy, Fred and Allie Savage</i><br>People of the Parish  |

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

### **Sunday, October 6, 2019**

Hb. 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm. 1:6-8, 13-14;  
Lk. 17:5-10

### **Sunday, October 13, 2019**

2 Kgs. 5:14-17; 2 Tim. 2:8-13;  
Lk. 17:11-19

## PARISH GIVING

Your financial support of our Catholic community is greatly appreciated and very important. Having a sustained, consistent income that we can count on helps relieve one major headache, making managing the finances of the parish that much easier. Here are the ways you can support your parish:

- 1. Parish Giving** - This is perhaps the best way because every week or month – whatever you choose – there will be a deposit made directly to the parish from your bank account or credit card. This is support our parish can count on, rain or shine, regardless of whatever difficulties may crop up motivating your family Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Registering with a parish is a long-standing tradition in the Roman Catholic Church. If you regularly attend Mass at OLC, I encourage you to register and declare your membership in our family of faith. However, you do not need to be registered in the parish to use Parish Giving. If you are registered, you may still wish to receive envelopes to place in the basket before the Altar of God at the Offertory each week and check the box on the envelope that says “I use Parish Giving.” To sign up, go to <https://www.parishgiving.org>
- 2. Church envelopes with cash or checks** - Registered families and single parishioners who enjoy the ritual of examining their finances each week and making a donation can utilize this long-standing tradition in the Church. It is good for the soul and the parish.
- 3. Loose cash and checks** - These are always appreciated and accepted without any qualification.
- 4. Venmo** - for those visiting our parish or for those who forgot their donation at home, we accept Venmo. Our handle is *OLCJC*, please feel free to include a prayer request or statement with something you are grateful for along with your donation.

Please know how grateful I am for your support of our parish as we continue our mission to make disciples of all nations.

God bless,  
Fr. Bryan

## WEEKLY OFFERING

For the weekend of September 21/22, **569** people attended Mass. The collection in church amounted to **\$3,826**. WeShare/Parish Giving donations were **\$1,739.06** and Venmo donations were **\$95** contributing to a weekend collection of **\$5,660.06**.

For the weekend of September 28/29, **558** people attended Mass. The collection in church amounted to **\$3,379**. WeShare/Parish Giving donations were **\$2,840.90** and Venmo donations were **\$75** contributing to a weekend collection of **\$6,294.90**.

As always, thank you for living your financial commitment to our parish. We appreciate your generosity.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OLC

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

**Confessions/Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Confessions may be heard on Saturdays at 4:00 PM or by appointment with the pastor.

**Family Mass:** Cardinal Tobin will preside over the Mass on October 20. Breakfast served at 11:00 AM in the Church Hall. Kid-friendly liturgy and activities; meet fellow parishioners and bring a friend!

**Juice & Doughnuts:** Served after every Sunday 10:00 AM Mass in our Church Hall. If you wish to donate snacks and beverages, please sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/olcdonutschedule>.

**OLC Adult Choir:** Choir rehearsal will be every Sunday at 6:15 PM and we will sing right after at the 7 p.m. Mass. No experience necessary, all are welcome! For more information, please email the Director of Music, Ben Rauch, at [directorofmusic@olcjc.org](mailto:directorofmusic@olcjc.org).

**OLC Alpha Group:** Meetings have concluded for this cycle. Watch future bulletins for more information.

**OLC Baptism Preparation Class:** The next class is on Sunday, October 6 at 11:15 AM. The course is required if you're having your baby baptized at OLC or another church, or are becoming a godparent.

**OLC Church Junior Choir:** For kids 7 years and older. The Junior Choir sings twice a month at the 10:00 AM Mass. Rehearsals are mid-week in the Church Hall. For more information, please email the Director of Music, Ben Rauch, at [directorofmusic@olcjc.org](mailto:directorofmusic@olcjc.org).

**OLC Prayer Group:** Prayer group meets daily Monday-Friday after the 12:30 PM Mass. For more information, please email Chona Veluz at [civeluz@aol.com](mailto:civeluz@aol.com).

**OLC Seniors:** The next meeting is on Wednesday, October 9. New members welcome (must be 55+). For more information, call Dorothy Bromirski at 201-333-4888.

**OLC Soccer Team:** Practice every Saturday! Email Bobby Kovachev for more information at [bobby.kovachev@yahoo.com](mailto:bobby.kovachev@yahoo.com) or sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/olcsoccer>.

**Social After 7:** Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, after the 7:00 PM Mass in the Church Hall. Delicious pizza donated by John's Pizzeria... BYOB! Meet other parishioners! For more information email Marlene at [cocoton@aol.com](mailto:cocoton@aol.com).

## OLC CHURCH HAS RE-OPENED!

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church re-opened its doors! All Masses are being held at the sanctuary. We are grateful for all of your support and patience during this stressful time. Thanks again to St. Peter's Prep for their generosity in hosting us for the past few months.

## 2020 MASS INTENTIONS BOOK



The 2020 Mass Book is open for mass intentions. Please call 201-434-0798 or stop by the rectory Monday-Friday from 9:30 am-5:00 pm to arrange a Mass intention. (There are still dates available in the 2019 Mass Book as well.)

## BAPTISM AT OLC



On Saturday, September 28, these children received the sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate them and their families, and may God watch over them always:

*Thomas Michael Goad,*  
the son of James and Virginia

*Luka Joseph Gregov,*  
the son of Joseph and Elyse

*Wilhelmina Ludmilla Pishchalnikova,*  
the daughter of Kirill and Elizabeth

*Miguel Angel Sanchez Jr.,*  
the son of Miguel and Nicole

*Elizabeth Marie Udo,*  
the daughter of Aniekan and Heather

## OLC SENIORS TRIP

**Nashville's Opryland Country Christmas (December 1-5).** Five days/Four nights for \$820 per person double occupancy/\$1,240 per person single occupancy. Package includes lodging, motorcoach transportation, four meals/gratuities, souvenir gift, tours of Nashville/Two Million Lights/Opry Mills, three shows, Delta River flatboat ride, luggage handling and all taxes. *Final payment due by October 10.*



For more information on membership or activities, call Dorothy Bromirski at 201-333-4888.

## R.C.I.A. STILL OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

**R.C.I.A.** is for adults who wish to explore Catholicism, who were baptized in another Christian church but are thinking of joining the Catholic church, or are Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation. Registration forms are on the church website at [www.olcjc.org](http://www.olcjc.org) under the 'Faith Formation and Sacraments' tab.

**Registration for First Communion and Confirmation classes for children is now closed.**

## STEWARDSHIP



*"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control."*  
– 2 Timothy 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

## ST. PETER'S PREP OPEN HOUSE



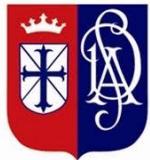
St. Peter's Preparatory School will be holding its 2019 Fall Open House on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 pm-4:00 pm. Faculty and staff, as well as coaches, students, and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. For more information, please call **201-547-6389**. Pre-registration is not required and the entire family is welcome to visit!

## HUDSON CATHOLIC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FALL OPEN HOUSE



Hudson Catholic Regional High School will be hosting its Fall Open House on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. All of their faculty, staff, and administration will be on hand to share the academic, spiritual, extra-curricular, and athletic programs. Tour the building and see students in action!! Parking is available in the St. Aedan's lot across the street from the school. If you need more information, please contact the school at **201-332-5970**.

## ST. DOMINIC ACADEMY (SDA) FALL OPEN HOUSE



St. Dominic Academy is holding its 2019 Fall Open House on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 pm. The event will feature club and athletic demonstrations, presentations by academic departments and the administration, and tours of the school, along with complete information about the admission process. Anyone specifically interested in a tour should arrive no later than 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm, respectively. Pre-registration is not required. SDA is an independent, Catholic college preparatory high school for girls. The school is located at 2572 Kennedy Boulevard in Jersey City. For more information, please call **201-434-5938**.

## HOLY ANGELS ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE



We cordially invite prospective students and their families to visit our vibrant school community this Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. A special reception for our legacy families will take place at 10:00 a.m. on the second floor of Kelleher Hall. A school tour will follow the reception and end at the formal presentation in the Auditorium at 11:30 am. If you miss the reception and tour, please be sure to take a tour at 12:15 p.m. after the presentation. Walk-ins are always welcome. Please contact the Admissions Office at **201-345-7099 ext. 214 or 216** with any questions!

## MARIST HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



Marist High School will host its Fall Open House on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 pm. Open House gives interested families the opportunity to speak with current students, teachers, and administration about Marist. If you have any questions, please email [admissions@marist.org](mailto:admissions@marist.org) or call **201-437-4545 ext. 225**. The school is located at 1241 John F. Kennedy Boulevard in Bayonne, NJ.

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