Our Lady of Victories Church

(serving Harrington Park, River Vale and the Pascack/Northern Valley)
150 Harriot Avenue, Harrington Park, New Jersey www.olvhp.org

WELCOME

To the Parish Family of OUR LADY OF VICTORIES (THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)

COME WORSHIP WITH US

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SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Thursdays 7:00pm, Fridays 11:30am & 7:00pm **First Friday:** 7:00pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions **First Saturday:** 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary **First Saturday:** 12:00pm, Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Jude and St. Anthony: Wednesday Infant of Prague: 25th of the month St. Peregrine: First Friday of the Month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & 12Noon Mass. Tuesday-Novena Prayer and Adoration: 12:30pm-3:00pm Thursday-Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction: 7:00pm Friday-Exposition & Adoration: 12:30pm-3:00pm

Latin Mass every Sunday 8:15AM Spanish Mass every Sunday 1PM

SUNDAY, March 17, 2019 A.D.



THEY SAW HIS GLORY

- Luke 9:32

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/CONFESSION:

Mon - Fri 7:30am -7:50am. First Friday 6:30pm

Saturday 11:00am-Noon; 3:00–3:30pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Call the rectory.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Call the rectory for an appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES:

Call the rectory.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973.497.4365.



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Fr. Wojciech's Corner

During this season of Lent God has been enormously generous with our parish. He has given us the exposition of the treasures of the Church in the **relics of the saints** last Thursday, (so well attended). Saints have always been attractive because they reflect the LIGHT of Christ.

Last Saturday we welcomed another great treasure in our **sick at the Mass of Anointing**. They are a treasure because they help us to look at life from a perspective of the cross, as **St. Teresa** would put it: "Suffering is a great favor. Remember that everything soon comes to an end ... and take courage. Think of how our gain is eternal." The sick help us to see life in its true dimensions. YES, how many times they help us instead of us helping them.

This coming Thursday is **World Down Syndrome Day** (WDSD) recognized by the United Nations General Assembly. It is observed on **March 21**st of every year because individuals with Down syndrome have three copies of chromosome 21. On this day, the Down syndrome community comes together to celebrate those with Down syndrome while taking the opportunity to educate and spread awareness in their communities. To express our care and love for them we welcome Ms. Lauren Costabile at our *Rosarians* meeting this Thursday. She just started a new ministry for those with Down syndrome. For more info, please visit website www.heartsofjoyinternational.com.

That day also at 7PM, in the Church, we will offer our Stations of the Cross for all those families guided by Confirmation candidates. Please take advantage of these great Lenten devotions with your families.

On Friday March 8th we watched the movie <u>Gosnell</u> about the serial killer abortionist. Afterward, we reflected together that our society has become used to the word abortion and that it does not make any difference today to many. The movie was an eye-opener to the atrocity of abortion. It inspired those who watched to truly be promoters of life.

Abby Johnson was the Planned Parenthood "Worker of the year" who left her job after personally witnessing an abortion. She then withstood the reprisals of the abortion giant and became a national leader in the Pro-life movement. In anticipation of the March 29th release of "Unplanned", the movie portrayal of her story, the OLV Pro-life Committee will present a documentary on Abby Johnson on **Friday, March 22, at 7:30PM** after the Stations of the Cross. Hear Abby Johnson as she speaks about her conversion to life and see the unique way that the Holy Spirit can work in the hearts of those who show the slightest opening to grace.

To all the Irish Happy St. Patrick's Day (feast day March 17^{th)} and to all fathers and families Happy St. Joseph (March 19th Solemnity-Patron of Families, Church, Fathers, Good Death and so many other things—a great way to honor him is to pray the Litany of St. Joseph).

CCD Corner

In today's Gospel we get a glimpse of heaven and its beauty. St. Paul tells us that we will all have heavenly bodies one day when we are joined with Jesus. It is hard for us to imagine perfect bodies with no pain, no hurt, that are perfect in every way. Peter, James and John were allowed to see Jesus in all his glory long before they really understood that he is God. Imagine how they must have felt when they saw that Jesus was God. Today's Gospel gives parents the wonderful opportunity to speak to their children about heaven. May I suggest, together with your children, brainstorm a list of what heaven must be like. If heaven is better than the best things we can imagine, what must it be like!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Upcoming OLV Parish Events

Mar 19 - Tue - Catholic Daughters of the Americas 7:00PM

Mar 21 - Thu - Rosary Society Mass/Meeting 12:00PM

Mar 21 - Thu - Stations of the Cross 7:00PM

Mar 22 - Fri - Stations of the Cross 11:30AM and 7:00PM

Mar 22 - Fri - Documentary about Abbie Johnson 7:30PM

Toiletries Collection

During Lent OLV Social Concerns is collecting toiletry items to benefit the Little Sisters of the Poor. Small and medium size toiletries are especially useful. Requested Items: Toothpaste Toothbrushes * Soap * Disposable razors * Lip Balm Body Lotion-unscented * Dental Floss * Shampoo * Deodorant Shaving Cream * Talcum / Baby Powder * Combs / Brushes * Denture Adhesive/Cleaner * Individual Packets of Tissues * Please leave donations in the Church vestibule.

THANK YOU from NEW HOPE!

New Hope's outreach to first-time single moms who have chosen life for their babies wants to thank all who have supported us through OLV Rosary Society and Social Concerns recent collection. You have stocked our shelves for these winter months. The moms-to-be will have many needed items and be prepared for the birth of their new baby. Please visit our website newhopeprc.org to learn more about our all-volunteer program and our Westwood Pregnancy Resource Center. If you have a passion for pro-life, join our volunteers sharing miracles, small and large, that we are working with God's help. Please contact marilyn@newhopeprc.org or call 201-722-4705.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

<u>Thursdays</u> - 7:00PM led by Confirmation candidates
<u>Fridays</u> - 11:30AM led by parishioners
7:00PM led by OLV ministries

ST. JOSEPH

The Bible pays Joseph the highest compliment: he was a "just" man. By saying Joseph was "just," the Bible means that he was one who was completely open to all that God wanted to do for him. He became holy by opening himself totally to God. Think of the kind of love with which he won Mary, and the depth of the love they shared during their marriage. It is no contradiction of Joseph's manly holiness that he considered divorcing Mary when she was found to be with child. The important words of the Bible are that he planned to do this "quietly" because he was "a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame" (Matthew 1:19).

The just man was simply, joyfully, wholeheartedly obedient to God—in marrying Mary, in naming Jesus, in shepherding the precious pair to Egypt, in bringing them to Nazareth, in the undetermined number of years of quiet faith and courage. The Bible tells us nothing of Joseph in the years after the return to Nazareth except the incident of finding Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41–51). Perhaps this can be taken to mean that God wants us to realize that the holiest family was like every other family, that the circumstances of life for the holiest family were like those of every family, so that when Jesus' mysterious nature began to appear, people couldn't believe that He came from such humble beginnings: "Is He not the carpenter's son? Is not His mother named Mary...?" (Matthew 13:55a). It was almost as indignant as "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" (John 1:46b).

Pray for Those in the Military

US Army

Captain Ben Clemente
RRT Specialist James Crumb
Specialist Peter Dippolito
Major Michael Franson
Sergeant First Class Charles Greene
Captain Shawn Linn
Lieutenant Gigi McElroy
Colonel John McLaughlin
Captain John G. Miele

US Air Force

Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn A1C Alexander Kolbe

US Marine Corps.

Lance Corporal Shanna Bennett Lance Corporal Matthew Brady 1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo Lance Corporal Thomas lafrate

US Navv

Lieutenant Commander Julia Cheringal Ensign Jon Clemente Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger OS3 Daniel T. LoVecchio

Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Pray for Our Sick*

Please PRAY in the name of JESUS, the Healer, that the SICK of OLV PARISH may be restored to health and all those who ASSIST and CARE for the sick will be given the STRENGTH to continue GOD'S GOOD WILL: Gabby Irene, baby Sean Cresci, baby Cole McKeon, Richard Bolton, Irene Ciccarino, Eleanor Daily, Don Deignan, Loraine Degerdon, Carl Falasca, James Fazzari, Dan Filippone, Sebastion Filippone, Mary Foley, Kathy Freeburn, Marietta Flahive, Bernardita Garcia, Kyle Gauweiler, Anne Giotta, Tom Giuliano, Thomas Haring, Glen Hall, Megan Kavanagh, Austin Kellar, Peter Kellar, Andrew Kloeppel, Lisa LoSchiavo, Peter Mahler, Anne Matthaei, David Mercur, Len Moriarity, Kevin Mullane, John Murawski, John Pal, Sam Palmieri, Joyanna Peros, Andy Pfeiffer, Canice Prince, Dan Ragusa, Mary Rinner, Wendy Ruggiero, Michael Tobia, Kathryn Turrell, Therese Vaglio, Brian, Carla, Chris, Dierdre, Edward, Elba, Jennifer, Joann, Lisa, Lucas, Lynn, Michael, Patrick, Paul, Peter, Robert, Sean. *We are trying to accommodate all our sick who request prayers. To keep our sick list up to date, names of the sick will be included for one month. If you wish to have a name included for the following month, please call the rectory. In that way we know when a name could be removed (when someone's health has improved or they have passed away.) Thank you for your help.

2019 Sharing God's Blessings Appeal

Your contribution to the Sharing God's Blessings Appeal makes a difference in the lives of so many in our community. Funds raised through the appeal help to educate children in our inner-city Catholic schools, serve the spiritual needs of people at parishes located in poor neighborhoods, and assist Catholic Charities. In addition, the appeal assists with seminarian and priest retirement costs. If you make your pledge directly to the Archdiocese, please inform the rectory so we can verify that OLV gets the credit.

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"The only real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes."

—Marcel Proust

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem-Bishop & Doctor

8:00 Patrick Barrett R/b the Barrett Family 12:00 James DeBrino R/b William and Carole DeBrino

Tuesday, March 19 – St. Joseph – Spouse of the Bl. Virgin Mary

8:00 Dan Lynch R/b the Barrett Family

12:00 Joseph Lamendola R/b Jinnie Moran

Wednesday, March 20-St. Wulfran, Bishop

8:00 Nicolo Scrivanich R/b Nick and Maria Busanic 12:00 Burke, Walsh and Melbourne Families R/b Bill and Peg Walsh

Thursday, March 21-St. Enda, Abbot

8:00 John Holler Sr. R/b Sr. Elizabeth

12:00 Deceased and living members of Rosary Society

Friday, March 22-St. Nicholas Owen, Martyr

8:00 Dot Donovan R/b John and Anna Heaney 12:00 George W. Smith R/b the Oakley Family

Saturday, March 23-St. Turibius De Mogrovejo of Spain

8:00 Anthony and Eleanor Unanue
12:00 Jane Desmond
4:00 Joan Ingalls
5:00 Jorden Pedersen Sr.

R/b the Yorio Family
R/b OLV Social Concerns
R/b Tish and Michael Oates
R/b the Pedersen Family

Sunday, March 24-St. Irenaeus of Sirmium, Bishop

7:30 Anna Lucia Arias
8:15 Intentions of Elizabeth Healy & Family R/b Joe and Johanna Healy
9:30 Frances Scaffa R/b the Skroce Family
10:45 John McLafferty R/b Ron and Adele Filippone
12:00 Marie Zocco
1:00 Intentions of Cabriella Arias

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6:00 Frank G. DelPrete Jr.
7:00 Michael Patunas
R/b Maria Arias
R/b Tribunal Family
R/b Lida and Arthur Fanzo

Sanctuary Memorials

<u>The Sanctuary Lamp</u> will burn this week for the **unemployed**.

<u>The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp</u> will burn this week for the sick of the parish.

<u>The Saint Joseph Votive Lamp</u> will burn this week for a special intention, r/b the Dalton Family.

<u>The Pope John Paul II Votive Lamp</u> will burn this week for the souls in Purgatory.

Sanctuary Offerings

The Bread and Wine, Bl. Virgin Mary Votive Lamp, St. Joseph Votive Lamp, and Sanctuary Lamp in the Church can be dedicated on a weekly basis. Please contact the rectory 201-768-1706.

Memorial Opportunity

The parish has purchased several sets of new vestments, which are available to be memorialized in honor of a loved one, deceased or living. Included are new vestments for deacons. The cost of the vestments to be memorialized is \$300 each. Call Maria at the rectory if you would like to memorialize any of these items in the name of your family or a loved one.

Lent isn't about what external temptations we want to give up.

Lent is more an internal journey of discovery

and oneness with God.

Lent is to go beyond the earthly.

2019 LENTEN REGULATIONS

The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (or Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and **two (2) smaller meals**, **which**, **if added together**, **would not exceed the main meal in quantity**. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, <u>March 10, 2019</u> to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, <u>June 16, 2019</u>.

*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

DEPTH of FASTING

Among the penitential practices that the Church suggests to us above all during this Lenten time is fasting. It consists in a special sobriety in the food we eat, while ensuring care for the needs of our body. This is a traditional form of penance, which has lost none of its significance, and which we perhaps need to rediscover, above all in that part of the world and in the milieus where food not only abounds, but where we at times encounter illnesses due to overeating.

Obviously, penitential fasting is very different from therapeutic diets. But as it is, we can see in it a therapy for the soul. For when it is practiced as a sign of conversion, it facilitates the interior effort to make oneself available to listening to God. To fast is to reaffirm for oneself what Jesus replied to Satan, when the latter tempted him at the end of forty days of fasting in the desert: "Not on bread alone is man to live but on every utterance that comes from the mouth of God." (Mt 4:4) Today, especially in our well-to-do societies, it is difficult for us to understand the meaning of this word of the gospel. Instead of pacifying our needs, the consumer society creates ever new ones, even engendering disproportionate activism... Among other meanings, penitential fasting has precisely the aim of helping us to recover interiority.

The effort towards moderation in food also extends to other things that are not necessary, and it greatly aids the life of the spirit. Sobriety, recollection and prayer go together. This principle can be appropriately applied to our use of the mass media. They are unquestionably useful, but they must not become the "masters" over our life. In so many families, the television seems to replace rather than facilitate dialogue among the persons! A certain "fasting" in this area can be salutary, either so as to give more time to reflection and prayer or to cultivate human relations.

—Saint John-Paul II - Angelus on March 10, 1996

NOT A COTTAGE - A PALACE

C.S. Lewis: "Imagine yourself as a living house. God comes in to rebuild that house. At first, perhaps, you can understand what He is doing. He is getting the drains right and stopping the leaks in the roof and so on: you knew that those jobs needed doing and so you are not surprised. But presently He starts knocking about the house in a way that hurts abominably and does not seem to make sense. What on earth is He up to? The explanation is that He is building quite a different house from the one you thought of—throwing out a new wing here, putting on an extra floor there, running up towers, making courtyards. You thought you were going to be made into a decent little cottage, but He is building a palace. He intends to come and live in it Himself."

ST. PATRICK



St. Patrick was actually born around 385 in Scotland, probably Kilpatrick. His parents were Calpurnius and Conchessa, who were Romans living in Britain. As a boy of fourteen or so, he was captured during a raiding party and taken to Ireland as a slave to herd and tend sheep. Ireland at this time was a land of Druids and pagans. He learned the language and practices of the people who held him captive. Patrick's captivity lasted until he was twenty when he escaped after having a dream from God in which he was told to leave Ireland by going to the coast. There he found some sailors who took him back to Britain, where he was reunited with his family. He then began his studies for the priesthood. St. Germanus, the Bishop of Auxerre, ordained him. Later, Patrick was ordained a bishop and was sent back to Ireland to preach the Gospel. He arrived in Ireland on March 25, 433, at Slane. One legend says that he met a chieftain of one of the tribes, who tried to kill him. Patrick converted Dichu (the chieftain) after he was unable to move his arm. For over forty years, Patrick and his disciples preached all over Ireland, converting thousands and building Churches throughout the Emerald Island. Patrick died on March 17, 461 in Saul where he had built his first church.

THE Legend of the CLADDAGH

Over 400 years ago in Ireland, there was a village called Claddagh. Its men were fishermen who often sailed way out into the Atlantic. On one particular voyage, Moorish pirates captured a fishing vessel and took the crew to Africa and sold them as slaves. One of the crewmen, a young man who was to be married, became a favorite of the Sultan and was taught the art of goldsmithing. The Sultan gave him permission to marry, but he would hold his heart for the girl who waited for him in the village of Claddagh. He fashioned a gold ring with a crown atop a heart held gently in two hands. The crown meant loyalty, the hands – friendship, and the heart – love. He finally escaped and returned to Ireland where he married his true love; the ring he had made was her wedding ring. To this day, the Claddagh ring represents loyalty, friendship and love.

Kidz Korner Answers

- 1. St. Paul. 2. Golgotha. 3. Barabbas. 4. Two thieves.
- 5. Jesus spent 40 days in the desert fasting right after his baptism and before his public ministry

when is the best time to convert—story

The disciple approached the Abba and asked when is the best time to convert. The Abba nonchalantly remarked, "The best time to convert is just one day before your death!" The disciple went away gleefully thinking that then he had ample time to take life seriously when he suddenly realized that there was a catch in this answer. So he retraced quickly his steps and asked the Abba again: "But, Abba, when am I going to die?" The Abba smiled at him ... and left. The message of Abba was clear: "Convert now!" The door may be closed on us! For ever! —Desert Fathers

DID YOU KNOW

Over the arches of the triple doorway of the Cathedral of Milan there are three inscriptions. One is a beautifully carved wreath of roses, and beneath it the words, "All that pleases is but for a moment." Another is a sculptured Cross with these words below: "All that troubles is but for a moment." And over the central doorway these words are inscribed ... "That only is important which is eternal."

A little humor ...

No meat on Fridays?!

John Smith was the only Protestant to move into a large Catholic neighborhood. On the first Friday of Lent, John was outside grilling a big juicy steak on his grill. Meanwhile, all of his neighbors were eating cold tuna fish for supper. This went on each Friday of Lent. On the last Friday of Lent, the neighborhood men got together and decided that something had to be done about John. He was tempting them to eat meat each Friday of Lent, and they couldn't take it anymore. They decided to try and convert John to become a Catholic. They went over and talked to him and were so happy that he decided to join all of his neighbors and become a Catholic. They took him to Church, and the Priest sprinkled some water over him, and said, "You were born a Baptist, you were raised a Baptist, and now you are Catholic." The men were so relieved, now their biggest Lenten temptation was resolved.

The next year's Lenten season rolled around. The first Friday of Lent came, and just at supper time, when the neighborhood was sitting down to their tuna fish dinner, came the wafting smell of steak cooking on a grill. The neighborhood men could not believe their noses! WHAT WAS GOING ON? They called each other up and decided to meet over in John's yard to see if he had forgotten it was the first Friday of Lent. The group arrived just in time to see John standing over his grill with a small pitcher of water. He was sprinkling some water over his steak on the grill, saying, "You were born a cow, you were raised a cow, and now you are a fish."

<u>10 Miles with Jesus</u>

If you are ready to embark on a different Lenten practice, join us on a 10-mile pilgrimage of prayer through meditating upon the Stations of the Cross of our Lord's sufferings and death. Take up your cross and walk 10 Miles with Jesus! The walking Pilgrimage will begin on Sunday, March 24 at 10AM at the Archdiocesan Shrine of St. John Paul II (St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish) in Linden and will conclude at the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Cathedral, 89 Ridge St., Newark, NJ at around 5 pm with the Holy Eucharist celebrated by the Very Reverend Bishop Manuel Cruz, Pastor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. FREE ADMISSION, however registration required. To register www.10mileswithJesus.org or call: 201.220.1949.

Archdiocesan Divorced/Separated Support Groups

It's true ... there's no such thing as "Catholic Divorce" ... but millions of Catholics DO get civilly divorced. And it affects and hurts us all. 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. The Archdiocese of Newark currently has 13 parishes who offer a support group for the separated/ divorced and these groups will be starting during the next couple months. For a list of these groups, visit www.rcan.org/separateddivorced-support-groups. Contact Lauren.Egan@rcan.org or 973-497-4327.

Communion Dresses / Suits Needed

The First Communion Day of our child is a very special occasion - a day to be celebrated and always remembered! Please help to make another child's First Communion Day one that will be cherished by donating any Communion dresses, suits, shirts, head pieces and shoes. Please bring all articles, clean, on hangers, and covered in plastic, to St. John the Baptist Church Parish Center by March 28th or call Kathy at 201-666-4185. Monetary donations will also be accepted. If you or anyone that you know may need an outfit, please contact Kathy.

Hands of Hope Gala

SAVE THE DATE! New Hope - 'Hands of Hope" - Wednesday, April 11, 6:30-10:30pm at Seasons in Washington Twp. \$90 per person. Cocktail hour, gourmet dinner, Silent Auction, Tricky Tray, raffle, huge 50/50 and dancing. Your generosity enables us to reach out to first-time single mothers and their babies so please celebrate with us! For reservations contact Kathy Turlick 201-573-8697 or kturlick@gmail.com.

14th Annual Divine Mercy Conference

April 6, 9AM-5:30PM at Cardinal Spellman HS, Bronx, NY. Sponsored by Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception and Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Featured speaker Fr. Frank Pavone, one of the most prominent pro-life speakers in the world. Holy Mass * Confessions * Adoration. For more info' visit TheDivineMercy.org/Bronx or call 1-800-462-7426.

For Single Parents!

Learn how to Avoid Frustrated Parenting. The Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring a special event to encourage and support single parents on Wednesday, April 24, from 6:45pm-8:30pm at Notre Dame RC Church in N. Caldwell, NJ. If single parenting leaves you feeling overwhelmed or inadequate some days or overlooked in terms of your needs, join Loyla Louvis, parenting coach, mentor, public speaker, mother and wife, from Mothers in Training LLC. If you are a single parent, a grandparent raising children or have ever been a single parent you are welcome to come. Babysitting and dinner provided! Free of charge! RSVP by email Lauren.Egan@rcan.org

Request for Hospice Volunteers

Life Source Hospice is seeking volunteers to be part of our elderly patients' end-of-life care. Volunteers serve as friendly bedside visitors to patients throughout Bergen County and provide them with much appreciated companionship by sitting, listening and praying with them. Volunteers also provide support to family members. For information, contact Life Source Hospice 201-523-9745 or kiplifesourcehospice@gmail.com.

KIDZ KORNER

- 1. Who witnessed the stoning of Stephen the Martyr?
- 2. What was the name of the hill on which Jesus was crucified?
- 3. Pontius Pilate set what prisoner free instead of Jesus?
- 4. Jesus was crucified between whom?
- 5. Where did we get the idea for the Lenten 40-day fast?

 Answers on page 4.