

Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church



Parish Mission Statement

*G*rowing in grace, growing in gratitude and
growing in faith by living the
Gospel of Jesus Christ.

*C*rescendo nella grazia, crescendo nella gratitudine e
crescendo nella fede per mezzo di vivere il
Vangelo di Gesù Cristo.

*L*ifting our prayers through the intercession of

Our Lady of Mount Virgin & Our Lady of Sorrows

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Our Lady of Mount Virgin website:
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SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:45 AM (Italian), 11:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday & Wednesday at 8:00 AM in Main Church Friday at 7:00 PM in Main Church
1st & 3rd Friday: 7:00 PM (Italian)
4th Friday: 7:00 PM (Bi-Lingual Memorial Mass)
Holy Days of Obligation 7:00 PM - Vigil, 7:00 PM (Bi-Lingual)

DEVOTIONS

Monday: 8:00 AM St. Jude Novena
Wednesday 8:00 AM St. Rita Novena
1st Friday: 5:00 - 7:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 PM Sacred Heart (Italian)
2nd Friday 7:00 PM Youth Mass & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
3rd Friday: 7:00 PM San Pio (Italian)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM and any day upon request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

2nd & 4th Sunday: 1:00 PM Contact Rose at the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Monthly visitation and communion for home-bounds. Contact the Parish Office.

MEALS WITH A MISSION

63 Harrison Ave., Garfield, NJ 07026 (201) 986-6325

PARISH REGISTRATION

Every family participating regularly in the spiritual life of our Parish is encouraged to register. Registration is our only means of recognizing anyone as a member of our Parish. It is also important for testimonial letters regarding Sponsorship for the Sacraments. To register, contact the Parish Office during office hours.

CHURCH/RECTORY ADDRESS

188 Mac Arthur Ave.
Garfield, NJ 07026
Tel: 973-772-2295
Fax: 973-478-4389

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 AM-12:30 & 1:30-4:00 PM
Saturdays: Closed
Sundays: Closed

OLS CHAPEL

111 Jewell St.
Garfield, NJ 07026



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My Dear Friends:

This Sunday's first reading is one of the descriptions of ideal apostolic life. Remember John's Gospel saying that God is love? Here we have Luke's version in Acts with that same idea. He begins with the community being one in heart and mind. They not only believed in the same Risen Lord, but their love for Him showed in their love for each other. They were not just a community or parish; they were one family.

Acts shows two ways the Christian communities began to change the world. First, they told anyone who would listen about the resurrection "with great power." You can take that as power to do miracles, healings, etc. But it can also mean the power of conviction: They were so excited about Jesus' resurrection, that they couldn't stop talking about it. We could use some of that fervor today. I sometimes think the only reason we don't do miracles ourselves is that we don't really believe we could. Remember how many times Jesus told people it was their faith that cured them? God can do miracles any time He wants. But we can't receive them if we don't have faith. Instead of trying to believe that you can do a miracle, try believing that God can do it for you.

The second way the disciples stood out was their willingness to give up anything for the Lord. Luke uses the example of selling their property to share with those in need. But some went even further, giving up their lives for the faith. That kind of witness says that the resurrection is real and I expect to take part in it. It also says that nothing can make me give up my faith. So what am I willing to give up for the Lord? It's easy to throw money in a collection for the poor. How about giving some time to feed the poor, or help build a home for someone, or maybe the time to be a sponsor for a convert? The love you show to others could be their only experience of God's love.

Love and prayers,

Fr. Peter

FAITHGIVING

April 11, 2021 - 2nd Sunday of Easter

"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..."

Acts 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your talents, your abilities and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with.

Faith Giving . . .

<u>Weekend of:</u>	<u>3/28/21</u>	<u>4/4/21</u>
Registered Families	1,540	1,540
Envelopes Received:	210	329
Total Sunday Collection	3,475	745
Loose Cash	391	852
Repairs & Maintenance	790	3,494
Easter Flowers	215	55
Easter	290	8,169
Black & Indian Coll.	377	65
Holy Land	60	1,265
Holy Thursday		30
Ash Wednesday	5	3
Mother's Day	5	10
Children	1	

Mass Breakdown - 3/28/21:

Env.: 5P \$1,085 8A \$691 9:45A \$476 11:30A \$832
 Cash: 32 107 37 215

Mass Breakdown - 4/4/21:

Env.: 5P \$2,060 8A \$3,477 9:45A \$518 11:30A \$1,262
 Cash: 202 125 54 471

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Second Sunday of Easter

John 20:19-31

Corner

About the Gospel: *Jesus appears to the disciples, and they are amazed! He is alive, truly risen. Thomas isn't there and, when he hears about Jesus, it is hard for him to believe. Jesus later visits Thomas, so the Apostle can believe in the Resurrection. Visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings to read this Sunday's Scripture.*

Gospel Question: *Why does Thomas refuse to believe Jesus is risen?*

Question of the Week: *When have you doubted like Thomas and how did you overcome your doubts?*

In Church: *Alleluia means "God, be praised." We are singing praise, so say Alleluia with joy before the Gospel reading.*

Family Prayer: *Lord, help us to believe even when we do not see or understand. Amen.*



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!



Congratulations!!

We proudly present to you the names of the following parishioners who have completed their Sacraments during the Easter Vigil on April 3, 2021. We would like to extend our congratulations to them.

Aaron Peter Christopher Melchionne
Melissa Lynn Munster

We ask you, as their parish family, to pray for them often. May the Holy Spirit enrich their lives.

DO YOU GRIEVE THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE?

St. Leo's Parish will begin the Spring Bereavement Support Group on Tuesday, March 30, 2021, at St. Leo's Downstairs in the Rectory at 324 Market Street, Elmwood Park, NJ. It will commence at 5:00 P.M. and conclude around 6:30 P.M.

It will consist of approximately eight weekly sessions. Many people have benefited from the kind of mutual support a Bereavement Group can offer. Nothing can ever replace a loved one, but together, in an atmosphere of love and understanding, we hope to provide some help in coping with the grief that death brings. The ministry is open to all.

Please advise any members of your family and friends that we welcome them with compassionate arms. If you are interested in registering or would like more information, please call **Judy Regan at 201-703-9367**. If you prefer to speak over the phone, that can also be arranged.

A mask and social distancing will be required during these sessions. Hand sanitizer will be provided and required upon entry.

Looking for Sunday Mass Volunteers

We need more volunteers to be Ministers of Hospitality (MOH). The job of Ministers of Hospitality involves execution of the social distancing and other safety measures instituted by the Archdiocese of Newark that are enabling us to welcome parishioners back to Mass during the time of the corona virus pandemic. In addition, the MOH, if they so choose, will be needed, on occasion, to run the slide presentation that projects the readings, hymns and responses during Mass.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Steve Browne @ spbrowne@optonline.net or 201-937-4989 or Lisa Buono @ lckb57@aol.com or 201-805-2548.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 11

- 8:00 AM Peter J. Latona - r/b Joanne Gagliardo
Dominick Marchese - r/b Gail Rotter
- 9:45 AM Giuseppe Aiello - r/b Barbara Cohen
Amalia Ragno - r/b Jack Latona & Family
- 11:30 AM Ciro Randazzo - r/b The Family
Luigi DiPiazza - r/b Renée & Frank DiGirolamo

Monday, April 12

- 8:00 AM Carol Rothfritz - r/b John Prelich, Jr.
Barbara Leach - r/b Her Mother, Madeline

Wednesday, April 14

- 8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Society
Virginia & Joseph Caratenuto - r/b Judith
Santo LoCascio - r/b Joanne & Eugene Briglio

Friday, April 16

- 7:00 PM In Honor of the San Pio
Giovanni Lomagno - r/b His Family
Rosa Ribauda - r/b The Ferrara Family

Saturday, April 17

- 5:00 PM Perpetual Memorial Mass
Giuseppe Aiello - r/b Giovanna & Anna Zingone
Adeline LoScalzo - r/b The Rigoglioso Family

Sunday, April 18

- 8:00 AM Ruth & Anthony Luna - r/b Emil Ciliento
- 9:45 AM Paolo Croce - r/b His Wife, Josephine
Rosa Cutrona - r/b The Campbell & Sinagra Fam.
- 11:30 AM Salvatore LoPinto - r/b Mr. & Mrs. Lotterman
Anthony Cannici - r/b Nicholas & Alice Parvesse

Please remember all the deceased of the parish, especially Peter Matassa, Jr., Joseph Vittorio, Catherine Petriello, Mildred Pruzinsky and Linda Tintle.



Baby Arianna Bonvento, Joseph Bullaro III, Splendor Rastelli, Enid & Vincent Pipitone, Paul & Connie Munier, Tommy Briggs, Maddie Kelble, Carole Tedesco, Pat Nunno, Nicholas Nunno, John Nordyk, Jamie P., Genevieve Triola McClory, Susan Perrelli, Marge Latona, Suzie & Alberto Furnari, Andrea Scalera, Lorraine & Ed Ransom, James Michaels, Mary Lentini, Peggy Knee, Stephania Argueta, Sammy Basile, Roseann Borelli, Tiffany Giansante, Ida Travan, Tanya Berghuys, Pamela Gallagher, Mary Sacco, Antonino LoCascio, Marie Dolce, Anthony Spinella, Maria Carnevale, Gardenia Hougmba, Charlie Landers, Joseph Dorney, Sr. Angela Ventura and Linda Tintle.



Second Sunday of Easter
 "Who indeed is the victor over the world, but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?"

1 John 5:5

VERY IMPORTANT!
Call for Mass Reservations!

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM
SUNDAY: 8:00 AM - 9:45 AM Italian - 11:30 AM

Due to the capacity limits set by the Archdiocese
**Everyone wishing to attend Weekend Mass
MUST call for a reservation
(973) 772-2295**

Please leave a voicemail, if necessary. The rectory office listens to them and your reservation will be complete.

**Please note that no one will be admitted
without a mask or a reservation.**

Prayer for Easter

**O God, By Your Power and might,
You smashed the bonds of sin and death to
raise Jesus to life. Send your Holy Spirit upon us
to roll away the stones of discouragement and
despair, so that we might receive new life in
Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**As we have died with Him in baptism,
so we seek to live with Him, both now and forever.
Deepen our joy as we celebrate these days,
and strengthen in us the conviction that we
need not fear anymore.**

Amen. Alleluia!

In Loving Memory...

The Altar Candle will be offered during the month of *April* in loving memory of **Maria Ruisi** as requested by **Enza & Danielle Federico and Pete.**

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp will be offered during the month of *April* in loving memory of **Santo LoCascio** as requested by **Sal & Antonina Scimeca.**

The Sacred Heart Candle will be offered during the month of *April* in loving memory of **Joseph Makowka and Stanley & Sophie Makowka** as requested by **Cathy Makowka.**

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL/EVANGELIZATION

To Evangelize is to live out our Baptism Call! Through these words of St. Augustine, we commit ourselves to Christ - to Evangelize: "If we look forward to receiving God's mercy, we can never fail to do good, as long as we have the strength. For, if we share with the poor out of love for God, whatever He has given to us, we shall receive according to His promise, a hundred fold in eternal happiness.