

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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Administrative Assistant

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Parish Bookkeeper

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Music Director

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Our Lady of Mount Virgin website:
www.mountvirgin.com

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



My Friends:

Let me begin by congratulating all of our young adults who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 21st and all of our children who received First Eucharist on April 17th and this Sunday as well. It is a great gift to them and to the church. May they all continue to come to the Lord's Table and to lives of service in the Catholic Church. My sincere thanks as well to Bishop Michael Saporito for conferring Confirmation upon the candidates along with his powerful, inspiring and Spirit-filled homily. Thanks to all Ministers of Hospitality who served overtime, our music accompaniment, lectors, and all priest concelebrants. Thanks to Rose Todaro and her assistants and to all parents who are the first teachers in the way and practice of the faith. God bless you always.

I was truly overwhelmed by the outpouring of generous offerings towards securing our projection system. The system will serve many pastoral and evangelization purposes as we continue to grow in faith, strength and numbers. I will keep you posted.

Please continue to pray and consider a pledge to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If everyone even makes the smallest of pledges, it will be a great help towards us meeting our parish goal of only \$22,000.00 from 1,200 families of which approximately 400+ are active. Imagine how great it could be if all the registered parishioners were active members beginning at the Mass on Sundays!

We continue on the back end to do all we can as we plan and prepare to meet these challenging times in the life of our church. It is not easy, but with God's Grace and your participation great things will happen. We are now in the planning process for our up and coming year.

A question to ponder... How can we better serve your personal spiritual and pastoral needs here at OLMV? Is there anything you would like to see happen? Let's think ahead as we continue to move forward on the journey. From a grateful pastor, know that I am praying for and,

Loving you always,
Fr. Peter



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FAITHGIVING

May 2, 2021 - 5th Sunday of Easter

“Children, let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth.” - 1 John 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it's not too late to start!

Faith Giving. . .

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| <u>Weekend of:</u> | <u>4/25/21</u> |
| Registered Families | 1,540 |
| Envelopes Received: | 132 |
| Total Sunday Collection | 1,954 |
| Loose Cash | 286 |
| Repairs & Maintenance | 65 |
| Mother's Day | 791 |
| Easter | 110 |
| Ascension | 20 |
| Holy Land | 5 |

Mass Breakdown:

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| Env.: | 5P \$517 | 8A \$402 | 9:45A \$313 | 11:30A \$436 |
| Cash: | 72 | 67 | 34 | 113 |

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Fifth Sunday of Easter
John 15:1-8

Corner

About the Gospel: *Jesus tells us He is the vine and we are the branches. He explains that we can only grow in faith and do the right things if we stay close to Him. Jesus will correct and guide us, just as a gardener prunes and tends a garden so it will grow strong. Visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings to read this Sunday's Scripture.*

Gospel Question: *How is Jesus like a vine?*

Question of the Week: *How can you stay connected to Jesus, like branches are connected to a vine?*

In Church: *When the gifts are brought to the altar, remember how important vineyards are to the Catholic Church. At Mass, Jesus becomes truly present in the Bread and the Wine*

Family Prayer: *Help us to find ways to stay close to you, Jesus, so we can grow in faith and love. Amen.*

VINE BRANCH FRUIT PRUNES
WORD HOME PLENTY THROWN
FIRE BURNT GLORY DISCIPLES



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Rachel's
Vineyard
Ministries

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven."

Pope Francis

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father."

So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting two upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds from abortion.

The Retreat will take place on May 14-16, 2021. Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 or e-mail Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." (Psalm 147:3)

*** All Covid-19 Guidelines will be followed**

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.

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL/EVANGELIZATION

To Evangelize is to live out our Baptism Call! Through the words of Bishop Oscar Romero, we are sharing our search for a deeper knowledge of the love of God - to Evangelize: *"To each of us, Christ is saying "If you want your life and mission to be fruitful like mine, do as I do. No one is more alone than a selfish person. But, if you give your life out of love to others, as I give mine for all of you, you will reap a great harvest. "*



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 2

- 8:00 AM Primitiva M. Rodriguez - r/b Patricia Esteves
Beryl Jeannette Alfano - r/b Anne Straeb and
Howard Goldberg
- 9:45 AM Elvira LaBarbera - r/b Salvatore LaBarbera
Ciro Randazzo - r/b The Family
- 11:30 AM Joseph Supor - r/b Debra Latona
Salvatore LoPinto - r/b Your Friends at GHS

Monday, May 3

- 8:00 AM For the Special Intentions of our Parish Family

Wednesday, May 5

- 8:00 AM Linda Marie Tittle - r/b Joanne & Eugene
Briglio

Friday, May 7

- 7:00 PM In Honor of the Sacred Heart
Frances Prelich - r/b Her Husband, John
Angela Holahan - r/b Her Family

Saturday, May 8

- 5:00 PM Perpetual Memorial Mass
All Mothers Living & Deceased
Timothy Costanzo - r/b His Family
Lisa Scaravelloni - r/b Her Mother

Sunday, May 9

- 8:00 AM All Mothers Living & Deceased
Concetta Incorvoia & Carmela Nicosia - r/b The
Family
- 9:45 AM All Mothers Living & Deceased
Jennifer Scimeca - r/b Her Mother & Father
Melina DiPiazza - r/b Cira & Tony Panzarella
- 11:30 AM All Mothers Living & Deceased
Salvatore LoPinto - r/b Mr. & Mrs. Kovach
Joseph DiLeo - r/b Richard & Annette
Hershberger

Please remember all the deceased of the parish, especially *Giuseppa Siracusa* and *Louis Pacifico*.

In Loving Memory...

The *Altar Candle* will be offered during the month of *May* in loving memory of *Giuseppa Arnone* as requested by *Maria & Sal Ingrassia*.

The *Sacred Heart Candle* will be offered during the month of *May* in loving memory of *Santina Sorrentino* as requested by *Maria & Sal Ingrassia*.



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!



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, David Miele, Carmen Miele and Carlo Passador.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

"Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth."

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