

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS – ST. ANTHONY



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April 18, 2010



626 S. Olden Ave.

Worship & Sacramental Life

OLS: Our Lady of Sorrows Church
SA: St. Anthony Church

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (SA)
5:00 p.m. (OLS)
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 a.m. (OLS)
8:00 & 10:00 a.m. (SA)
6:30 p.m. (Creole) (SA)

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil: 7:00 p.m. (SA)
Daytime: 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. (OLS)
12:15 p.m. (SA)

Weekday Masses

7:00 a.m. (OLS)
8:00 a.m. (SA)

Holidays as announced

Sacrament of Baptism

11:15 a.m.: 1st Sunday (SA)
12:15 p.m.: 2nd & 3rd Sundays (OLS)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and by appointment
3:15-4:00 p.m. (SA), 3:45-4:30 p.m. (OLS)

Rectory Office Hours

Mon – Thu: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; 1:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Fri & Sat: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Closed Sunday

Monthly Rosary & Weekly Novenae

Rosary: 1st Sun of Month, 8:30 a.m. (OLS)
Miraculous Medal Novena: Mon, after 8 a.m. Mass (SA)
St. Anthony Novena: Tue, after 8 a.m. Mass (SA)

Parish Staff

Rev. Msgr. Thomas N. Gervasio, Pastor
Rev. Eugene K. Savarimuthu, Adjunct
Rev. Pierre M. Alabré, Haitian Ministry
Rev. Oscar Sumanga, In Residence

Deacons

James Challender
Timothy Moore
Joseph Jaruszewski
Kevin O'Boyle

Dennis Slavin

Trustees

Julianne DeCore
Kenneth Sked

Pastoral Outreach

Youth Ministry

Music Ministry

Parish Secretary

Financial Secretary

Bulletin & Calendar

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 18, 2010

The risen Christ welcomes his own at the seashore John 21:1-19

Mass Intentions for the Week OUR LADY OF SORROWS

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

5:00 p.m. Maureen Kelly Hess *Parents
John & Catherine Fraytak *Son, David

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

7:30 a.m. Mary Coleman *Phyllis Braconi & family
Beverly Henry *Henry Family
9:00 a.m. Regina Uveges *Libby Wilson
Robert Conti *Mercerville Serra Club
11:00 a.m. Frank L. Silvestro *Daughters
James V. Crivelli *Wife & children

MONDAY, APRIL 19

7:00 a.m. Mary Alice Malkim *Mother & family
Ann Gatto *Ann, Elaine, & family

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

7:00 a.m. Anna Kinsky *M/M Michael Usarzewicz
William D'Arcy *Anne Marie & Frani Martini

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

7:00 a.m. Anna M. Immordino *John & Melissa Shurgala
Eileen Schulz *Carolyn Hawkes

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

7:00 a.m. Alfred W. Lozier *Betty Chamberlin
Geraldine Tucker *Susan Pontani

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

7:00 a.m. Peggy Klein *Mercerville Serra Club
Barry Byrne *Susan & Frank Milo

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

5:00 p.m. Vincenzo Amantia *Zina Amantia & family
Charles Kachur *Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

7:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. Paul Voilas *Wife, Ginny
Michael J. Michal *Family
11:00 a.m. Andrew Dutko *Daughter, Betty
Edward Roslon, Jr. *Dolores Marue

Mass Intentions for the Week SAINT ANTHONY

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

8:00 a.m. Richard H. Gabriel, Sr. *Mary Kerlin
Harry Burroughs *Family

4:30 p.m. Augustine Asta *M/M Anthony Gervasio
Vivian M. Saxby *Platt Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

8:00 a.m. For the people of the Parish
10:00 a.m. Jack Daniel Cuoghi *Consiglio Family
Michael Mogelli *Debbie & Cliff Pullen

MONDAY, APRIL 19

8:00 a.m. Carla Diaz *Valerie Mancuso
Beth Ann Zingaro *Ronnie Breth

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

8:00 a.m. Margaret Renelli *Clara & Ben Gioe
Joseph V. Fleming *Frank Wrobel

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

8:00 a.m. Fr. Garrett Fitzgerald *Benjamin & Gabby Farrell
Elizabeth Schweder *Kelliher Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

8:00 a.m. Helen Vitterito *Cenza & Tom Brophy
Francis Marrer *Marion Hollo

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 a.m. John O'Reilly *Bob Mellick
Phil DeAngelo *Albert & Jean Rhodes

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 a.m. George Haller *John & Eileen Haller
Grace Burroughs *Family
4:30 p.m. Augustine Asta *M/M Thomas Brophy
Rudy Potenzzone *Carolyn McDonough

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

8:00 a.m. Fred Sorrento *Wife, Vicki, & family
Richard Pizzuti *Phil & Marietta Garton
10:00 a.m. Jack Daniel Cuoghi *OLS PTA
Kathleen McKenna *Robert & Barbara Fiorello

Liturgical Celebrations This Week

Wed., Apr. 21	St. Anselm
Fri., Apr. 23	St. George
	St. Adalbert
Sat., Apr. 24	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased

Mary Carey	Gennaro Cesario
Christine Kopec	Dorothy Oliver
Edward Stella	

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners:

This week I met with our school faculty and staff to share with them the news that I would have much preferred to avoid. It was to inform them at the end of this school year, Mrs. Teresa Carrick will conclude her tenure as our school principal. The reasons for her resignation are purely connected to those she described in her letter to the school families that is printed on page 5 in this bulletin.

It is a letter that evokes within me mixed sentiments of:

...sadness for the loss of one who has served our parish so generously;

...gratitude for Mrs. Carrick's gifts shared and sacrifices made in these four years; and

...prayerful blessings for the Carrick family as they continue to serve the Church and our nation in their new community.

I have no doubt that Mrs. Carrick will be doing all possible to ensure that a very smooth transition is made for a new principal. I have already been in contact with Mrs. Donna Bascik, of the Diocesan Office of Education (and our former principal), regarding the process for the appointment of a new principal. It is a process that I trust all parishioners will accompany and support with prayer.

With affection,
 Msgr. Gervasio

Rosary Altar Society News

Rosary Altar Concert – The OLS-SA Rosary Altar Society be selling tickets after all Masses next weekend for their benefit concert, *Sing a Joyful Song*, featuring the Holy Ghost Prep High School Boys Chorus and Friends. The concert will held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 16, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Proceeds from the concert will go toward the Shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. Tickets are \$10 each in advance; \$15 at the door. Tickets also may be purchased at the OLS/SA Parish Office, The Cross and Shamrock (1669 Route 33), Fred and Pete's Deli (Mercerville Shopping Center), and Carella's Shoes (3826 Nottingham Way).

New Members – If you are interested in joining the Rosary Altar Society, please call Betty Adamczyk at 586-6771 or Mary Halasz at 585-4804. Once you are inducted into the Confraternity, you are a lifetime member. An Induction Ceremony will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 3, in the Upper Church' It will be followed by the regular monthly meeting.

Stewardship Report

Revenue

Weekly Collection - April 11	\$18,189
Diocesan Assessment	\$2,091

March Expenses

Diocese of Trenton	
Diocesan Assessments	\$5,000
Property, General Liability Insurance	\$6,085
Health Insurance	\$2,004
Priests Pension Program	\$3,300
Subsidy to T.C.A. – monthly (based on S.A.C. rentals)	\$4,830
Utilities	
Telephone/Internet	\$1,653
PSE&G	\$16,515
Contracted Services	
Snow Removal	\$10,265
Grounds Care	\$1,685
Maintenance, Repairs & Improvements	
Organ Cleaning & Tuning (OLS)	\$3,514
Security Maintenance	\$130
Extraordinary Repairs	\$1,082
Household Expenses	\$2,091
Liturgical & Church Supplies	\$5,028
Religious Education Program	\$1,479
Office Supplies & Equipment (incl. postage)	\$1,355
Other Expenses	
Charitable Appeals	\$400
Hospitality / Welcome Sun. / St Martha Sun.	\$4,925
Marriage Prep / Celebration of Marriage	\$105
Transport for Mass	\$160
Advertisement	\$173
Music Ministry	\$1,354
Elevator Inspection	\$711
Total Expenditures	\$78,325

Bishop's Annual Appeal (as of 4/12)

Pledged: \$54,489 Paid \$37,713 Donors: 262

Upcoming Events!

Everyone Is Invited!

Celebration of First Holy Communion

Saturday, April 24 & May 1

Annual Crowning of the Blessed Mother

Sunday, May 2: 11:00 a.m. Mass

Concert: Holy Ghost Prep Boys Chorus at OLS

Sunday, May 16: 3:00 p.m.

God Bless Our Newly Baptized

Jackson Tyler Novajosky

This Week

April 19: 5th Anniversary of Election His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI

Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd, Benedict, a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and Vicar of Christ, build your Church into a sacrament of unity, love and peace for all the world. Amen.

V/ Let us pray for Benedict, our pope.

R/ May the Lord preserve him, give him a long life, make him blessed upon the earth, and not hand him over to the power of his enemies.

V/ May your hand be upon your holy servant.

R/ And upon your son, whom you have anointed.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

Tootsie Roll Drive

Hamilton Council 6213, Knights of Columbus, will be at the doors of both Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Anthony at all masses this weekend conducting their annual Drive for the Developmentally Disabled (aka Tootsie Roll Drive). Please be as generous as your means allow.

Pray for the Sick

We commend to your prayers all the sick in the parish. While not every name can appear in the listing below, we remember all those who are ill and pray that they may know the Lord's healing presence.

Eric Anderson, Peggy Seiler Brand, Chester Buzzelli, Mary Ann DeBlasio, Ted Dolci, Paula Donahue, William Doolan, Victoria Elley, Benjamin Farrell, Kristin Alia Garvey, Linda Gonzales, Katherine Jones, Paul Komlosi, Edith LaBella, Leon LaBella, John A. Lenhardt Jr, Lorraine Lestician, Charlotte Nucaso, Frank Petrino, Isabella Petrino, Thomas Powner, Alice Ruch, Charles Scarna, Henry Swiderski, Anne Tocco, Anthony Tonzini, Virginia Urlick, Doreen Walsh, George Zimmer, Sr.

Due to limited space and our desire to include the names of others, absent special circumstances, names will remain on our list for one month only. Call the parish office (587-4372) to have a name removed earlier.

Seniors' Activities

Senior Club #1

Meeting: Wednesday, May 12, 1:00 p.m.
St. Anthony Church Hall

Trip to Resorts Casino (AC): Thursday, April 22
Bus leaves St. Anthony parking lot at 9:00 a.m.
Call Gloria (587-1944) for reservations.

Club #1 will be sponsoring a trip to the Hunterdon hills Playhouse on September 22. The show is Neil Simon's hit comedy *Plaza Suite*, and features Charlie Prose. Cost includes show, dinner, desserts, tips, taxes, and transportation. Call Gloria (587-1944) for information.

Senior Club #2

Meeting: Tuesday, April 20; 1:00 p.m.
Church Meeting Room

Trip to Showboat Casino (AC): Wednesday, April 21
Bus leaves OLS church parking lot at 9:30 a.m.
Call Bea (528-0599) for a reservation.
(Please note that this is a new number.)

Senior Club #3

Meeting: Tuesday, April 27, 1:00 p.m.
Church Meeting Room; Table 2 will host
Bingo and cards will follow meeting.

Luncheon at Padrino's on April 20 at 12:30 p.m.
Call Marie (587-8741) for reservations.

Our Seniors Clubs welcome new members! You do not have to be a parishioner to join the Seniors Clubs.

Parent Bingo Assignments

**Workers to arrive by 6:15 p.m.
Parish Center Cafeteria**

The Bingo worker schedule appears below. If there is a scheduling conflict, please contact Karen Carella (kecarella@optonline.net, 516-6705) or Karen Brisson (587-4141) well in advance so other arrangements can be made. Bingo begins at 7:30 p.m.

Apr 24 Kelly (E), Kelly (K), Kerins, Hernandez, Hodsdon
May 1 Hrynyszak, Kaczorowski, Kaduthodil, Katt, Laurente
May 8 Lewallen, Lipari, Mack, Major
May 15 Matthews, McGuire, Melone, Natriello
May 22 Reger, Roberts, Schwartz, Spoto
May 29 Kaduthodil, Kelly, Stillwell, Vandergrift, Williams

Our Lady of Sorrows School

April 15, 2010

Dear Parents and Students,

I hope all of you had a Blessed Easter and an enjoyable, relaxing spring break. The beautiful, warm, sunny weather was an extra bonus!

As many of you know, my husband is an officer in the United States Army and I am proud to say he has served for nearly 24 years. During that time we moved often, nearly a dozen times before coming to this area almost six years ago. Although there were many sacrifices involved, we always made it an adventure and a learning experience until our children reached high school age. At that point, we decided to keep our children stationary and Ken had to take on assignments out of state on his own. For two of those six years he worked out of state and commuted home to see us every weekend. Now our youngest child is about to graduate high school and begin his college career. My husband has again been given an assignment out of state and since all three children will be in college or college graduates there is no reason for me to remain in New Jersey.

I tell you this abridged version of my personal life so you will understand why I have submitted my letter of resignation to Monsignor Gervasio and the Diocese of Trenton. I love Our Lady of Sorrows School and I have truly enjoyed the last four years here. I have also learned that rumors spread like wild fire. I am leaving purely because of the reasons I have explained. Our school is in good standing and I am confident it will remain that way for years to come.

I ask that you please support me at this time and understand that as much as I love OLS, I am also honored to support my husband and the many men and women who serve this country. That often means giving up things I have worked for and enjoy such as my time as principal at OLS. I will remain on through this school year, will begin planning for the transition into the 2010-2011 school year, and then depart during the summer.

The school board and Monsignor must begin searching for my replacement so we are making this public now. I look forward to seeing you at upcoming events and spending these last few weeks of the school year with the children. As always, thank you for your kindness, support, and in many cases friendship.

Sincerely,
Terie Carrick
Principal

A Prayer for Priests

Heavenly Father, please grant to your faithful servants the grace and strength to carry out your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

Keep in Your Prayers this Week:

Rev. Michael J. Waites

Rev. John F. Wake

Rev. Michael W. Wallack

Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Walsh

Rev. Charles B. Weiser

From the Curé d'Ars:

Almighty God sends no trial without consolation.

On Suffering

Congratulations!

The parish and the diocese join in congratulating Sandra Mulvan, who has been awarded Level II Catechist Certification for her completion of Level II requirements.

Welcome, New Parishioners

A warm welcome is extended to the following new parishioners and their families:

Gina Camacho

Nisette & Rene Louis

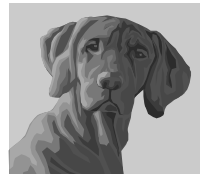
Lynda & Jason Marasco

Teri Sandin

Here's the SCOOP!



Come join us at
**CARELLA'S
BROWN DOG**
for an ice cream
FUNdraiser
featuring



SUPER-DUPER SCOOPERS:
Mrs. Emde & Mrs. Schrader

They will be scooping ice cream
from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
on Monday, April 19.

Soccer Schedule

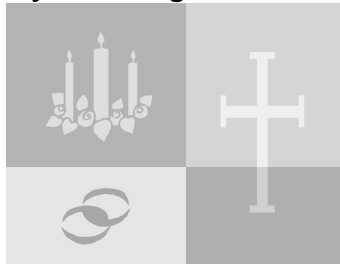
Following is the schedule for the parish's "Blue" and "White" girls soccer teams. All games begin at 5:45 p.m. unless otherwise noted. The complete schedule is available on www.ols-sa.org.

Day, Date	Teams	Field
Tue, Apr 13	OLS White v. St. Mary	OLS
Thu, Apr 15	Incarnation v. OLS White	MCP
Thu, Apr 15	OLS Blue v. St Mary*	MCP
Fri, Apr 16	OLS Blue v. OLS White	OLS
Thu, Apr 22	St Ann v. OLS Blue	OLS
Thu, Apr 22	OLS White v. St Gregory	OLS
Thu, Apr 29	St Paul v. OLS White	OLS
Thu, Apr 29	St Ann v. OLS Blue*	OLS
Fri, Apr 30	St Mary v. OLS White	OLS
Tue, May 4	Incarnation v. OLS White	OLS
Tue, May 4	OLS Blue v. St Pail	MCP
Thu, May 6	OLS White v. St Ann	SG
Thu, May 6	OLS Blue v. St Gregory*	SG
Thu, May 13	OLS White v. St Ann	OLS
Thu, May 13	OLS Blue v. St Gregory*	OLS
Tue, May 18	Incarnation v. OLS Blue	Sarnoff
Tue, May 25	Incarnation v. OLS Blue	MCP

* 6:45 p.m.

SPEAKING OF MARRIAGE----

Do you say Grace together before meals?



Marriage Ministry OLS-SA

Respect Life Baby Shower

On the weekend of May 1-2, the Social Justice/Social Concerns Committee is sponsoring a Respect Life baby shower, to benefit Choice One, a Christian crisis pregnancy counseling center that supports pregnant women and helps them to choose life when faced with an unplanned pregnancy. Donations of new baby clothes, bottles, diapers, baby wipes, and other new baby items (things you would bring to a baby shower for a friend or relative) would be greatly appreciated. Donation boxes will be available at both Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Anthony's churches at all the Masses on May 1 & 2. Making a donation to help the young mothers at Choice One would be a wonderful way to honor your own mother on Mother's Day! Please be as generous as you can.

Preschool News

Spring has sprung and the flowers are blooming. Your little ones will bloom, too – at OLS Preschool and summer camp. We have open enrollment for Summer Camp 2010 (ages 6 weeks through Kindergarten) and school year 2010-2011 (ages 6 weeks through Pre-K). Please stop by or call 586-1422 to arrange a tour.

Summer Bible Camp

We are excited to tell you about our new program—**A Children's Bible Camp!** It will be held from July 19 - 23, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. It will be a faith-filled and fun experience for children ages four to ten (Pre-K to Grade 4).

We have mailed registration forms. If you haven't received yours, please contact the Office of Religious Education at 587-4140, Ext 2, or check our web site, www.ols-sa.org/religiouseducation for information.

Religious Education Registration

It is time to register your children for Religious Education classes for the 2010-2011 school year. We look forward to seeing all of you. Please remember that certain sessions fill up quickly so early registration is highly recommended. We can more easily accommodate your preference if you register promptly. We have a special offer for early registration. Please check the letter we mailed with the registration forms. If you didn't receive one, please call us.

For your convenience, all registration forms are available on www.ols-sa.org. You may print the registration form and mail or bring it to the Religious Education Office. If you have a Pre-K or Kindergarten student entering Religious Education classes, please print the registration form from the website or call our office to register your child. The last date for Registration is May 30. For more details, please check our web site.

Attention all parents whose children are attending **Trenton Catholic Academy**. If your child is in 2nd or 7th grade, please make sure that you register your child for sacramental preparation.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Gift Basket Auction

The Hope Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary (82 Rt. 526, Allentown) will hold a Gift Basket Auction on April 24. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Admission is \$6.



Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center
Mount Holly, NJ
609-877-0509 FHOP@verizon.net
www.FHOP.org

Living in God's Friendship

Tuesday, April 20, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.; \$25 includes book
It is a difficult proposition for many of us to believe that God—eternal, unchanging, all-knowing—could actually desire a relationship with us. Once we have accepted the premise that God indeed does want our friendship, it can be even more challenging to think about how to actually engage in that friendship, foster it, and remain anchored in it when life tosses us about. Father William Barry's book, *Here's My Heart, Here's My Hand*, will follow this theme and help us to grow in intimate friendship, a friendship like no other.

Directed Retreat Weekend

7:00 p.m. Friday, April 23, to 1:00 p.m. Sunday, April 25;
\$125/\$40 non-refundable deposit.

The weekend directed retreat offers you the opportunity to experience the graced rhythm of life in which rest restores your body and God revives your soul. Liturgy, Spiritual Direction and optional Centering Prayer periods are included.

Soul Searching: Merton Series

3 Wednesdays (April 28, May 12, & May 26), 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.; \$50 for the series, including books, or \$20 each session. Merton speaks to the soul like no other. He gently leads us toward spiritual transformation and a more contemplative and peace-filled life. Merton reminds us: "Your life is shaped by the ends you live for. You are made in the image of what you desire." We will study Merton in these 3 sessions and let his pursuit of his true self in God foster our own search. Topics include:

- Entering the School of Your Experience
- Becoming Who You Already Are
- Living Your Deepest Desire

You will receive a book each evening to lead you through your two weeks of prayer between sessions.

Come to as many as you can, but please come to the first one if possible. Please register early.

Talk on Autoimmune Disease

On Tuesday, April 27, at 8:00 p.m., the Hamilton Council is sponsoring a talk on Autoimmune Disease at their hall, located at 1451 Klockner Road. Every year thousands of people are diagnosed with an autoimmune disease. There is no definitive explanation as to the causes of most autoimmune diseases and most have no cure. They remain among the most poorly understood and poorly recognized of any category of illnesses. To help patients live longer, healthier lives, a better understanding of these diseases is needed, as well as a means of providing early diagnosis and treatment. At the conclusion of the talk, light refreshments will be served.

FUNDamentals Summer Basketball Camp

St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish Sports is pleased to announce the annual FUNDamentals Summer Basketball Camp (four separate weeks: June 21-25, June 28-July 2, July 5-9 and July 12-16). The camp will be held in the gym at the St. Raphael campus from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day (plus up to 3 hours of free before and after care). It is open to boys and girls in grades 1-8 and will feature staff and clinics area coaches. For more information and a brochure, contact Vince Peroni, parish athletic director, at 585-5479.

You're Invited to a Primer for Parents

The Parent Alliance of Villa Victoria Academy is sponsoring *K to 12 and Beyond: A Primer for Parents*, presented by national college admissions counselor, Elizabeth Zucker. Ms. Zucker's insightful message is invaluable to parents as they begin the preparation, balance, and decision-making that leads to the college admissions process. The presentation, especially recommended for parents of students from 6th grade and up, will be held on Tuesday, April 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the Villa Victoria Academy Theater. Admission is \$5 at the door; reservations are available by contacting atoth@villavictoria.org or by calling 882-1700, ext. 10. More details on the presentation, as well as directions to the theater may be found at www.villavictoria.org

Villa Victoria Academy Clothing Drive

Gently worn clothing, shoes, and household linens, as well as "gently loved" stuffed animals, will be gratefully accepted Friday and Saturday April 24 & 25, at the Villa Victoria parking lot. Please bring items in plastic garbage bags to the truck for collection; donated items will be sorted and shipped by American Clothing and Fashion Republic to needy families in Poland, East and West Africa, India, and South America. Please note that your donations will not be shredded for rags; people in underprivileged countries will benefit directly from your contribution. No books can be accepted for this drive. For more information, or for directions to Villa Victoria, please visit www.villavictoria.org

Spring Concert Series

The Community Christian Choir presents its Spring program, *Faith Book*. More than 140 voices from both the children's and adult choirs will be singing in this spirit-filled Christian program. Admission is free; a free-will offering will be collected to benefit the listed charities. For more information, visit www.CCChoir.com or call 587-7076.

Sunday, April 25, 6:00 p.m.
Robbinsville Seventh Day Adventist Church, Robbinsville
Benefit: Families in Transition

Friday, May 7, 7:30 p.m.
St. Anthony of Padua, Hightstown
Benefit: San Lucas Mission, Guatemala

16th Annual NJ Catholic Youth Rally

at

Six Flags Great Adventure

“Called to be Witnesses”

Sunday, May 16 – Rain or Shine

Bring the family – parents, brothers, and sisters are welcome!

Join us for a fun day of rides, entertainment, and more!

We will celebrate liturgy together at the park at 6:00 p.m.



Cost: \$45

Included in the cost is:

Admission to Six Flags Great Adventure, FREE admission to the Wild Safari, valid throughout 2010, FREE Admission and catering for two and under. FREE Parking Vouchers, FREE Bounce Back Ticket for every person who visits the catering area, Private All-You-Can-Eat Buffet from 12:00-4:00 p.m., Rally Button to the first 200 guests at the Northern Star Arena

Season Pass Holders - Meal Tickets are available for \$20 each (includes free bounce back ticket when you attend the catered lunch).



Depart OLS at 8:00 a.m.

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| 8:30 a.m. | Registration begins |
| 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. | Governor's Gate is open |
| 9:30 a.m. | Opening ceremony |
| 10:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. | Rides are open |
| Noon – 4:00 p.m | All-you-can-eat buffet |
| 5:00 p.m. | Doors open at Northern Star Arena |
| 5:30 p.m. | Pre-liturgy gathering at Northern Star Arena |
| 6:00 p.m. | Closing Liturgy |
| 8:00 p.m. | Park Closing |

Return to OLS at 8:30p.m.

NO BACKPACKS ALLOWED IN THE PARK

Fill out this form and return to OLS-SA Parish Office (Youth Ministry Mailbox) by **May 9** with a check made payable to OLS-SA.

Name: _____

Will you be traveling with the youth group? _____ (Students may travel with their family)

Number of full tickets @ \$45: _____

Number of meal tickets (season pass holders only) @ \$20: _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

An Invitation to the Men of our Parish

Imagine being a part of an organization that fills your heart and mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference! The Knights of Columbus is such an organization! Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age or older, who take an active involvement in the community. Described as “strong right arm of the Church” the Knights are well known for their promotion of marriage and family life, service to the needy, and a powerful voice on behalf of life!

The Knights has grown from a small parish group in New Haven Connecticut in 1882 to the largest Catholic fraternal service organization in the world.

I am pleased to know about the Knights’ membership drive and Open House and encourage the men of Our Lady of Sorrows-St. Anthony Parish to consider being a part of the Knights of Columbus...specifically our local Hamilton Council 6213!

*Msgr. Thomas Gervasio
Pastor*

OPEN HOUSE

for those interested
in the Knights of Columbus
and their families

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Council Hall

1451 Klockner Rd., Hamilton

For further information

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Catholic Brothers,

We invite you to become a Knight of Columbus and Member of our council. Through our fraternity, we strive to strengthen our faith; become strong fathers, attentive and loving husbands, and build solid friendships. Being a Knight helps us excel in our profession and helps us become practical Catholic gentlemen.

Today, more than ever we need solid, responsible, and confident men who will lead in love, compassion, and respect for others. God is calling us to play a nobler role than no one else can.

Why not set aside a little time to come to our open house? We would be pleased to meet you and introduce you to our Council. Please contact us with any questions you might have.

Hamilton Council 6213

Parish Profile 2009

Every year our parish must submit a "profile" to the Diocese. I thought our parishioners would find interesting the statistical information it contains. Below is a summary. Msgr. Gervasio

General Statistics

Registered households: 2,884
Avg. households using envelopes: 900
Seating capacity of churches: OLS – 645; SA - 950
Avg. Weekend Attendance 3,100

Liturgical Life

Baptisms: 102
First Communions: 118
Confirmations: 102
Marriages: 36
RCIA—Catechumens: 6; Candidates: 4
Funerals: 165
Sick Calls—Home: 52; Institution: 377 (Does not include visits made by Extraordinary. Ministers of Communion)
No. of Weekend Masses: 8
No. of Weekday Masses: 2

Confessions: Weekly (both churches); by appointment; biannual services

Parish offers Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Hospital Ministry: Parish priests are on "duty" for emergency calls to Robert Wood Johnson Hospital, Hamilton on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. This is an assist to St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish, which is responsible for the overall pastoral care of Catholic patients.

Religious Education

No. of families in Program: 529
Enrollment: 710
No. of Catechists: 43
No. of Aides: 21
74% of Catechists are certified by the Diocese at various levels.

Youth Ministry Membership: 130

Elementary School

Families in School: 204
Parish Families in School: 138
Students of Parish: 187
Students of other Parishes: 66
Non Catholic Students: 11
Tuition Rate for one child (qualified): \$3,800
Cost to educate one child: \$6,108
The Parish Subsidy to School is 29.4% of the School Budget (26.5% of parish revenue goes to school subsidy: \$479,952)
Our Lady of Sorrows School enjoys Middle States Accreditation.

In addition to supporting the elementary school, the parish assists Trenton Catholic Academy, a diocesan regional school at McCorristin Campus, Leonard Avenue, Hamilton. This is in the form of a 20% diocesan "tax" on income received by the parish through the rental of school buildings at St. Anthony Campus, S. Olden Ave. (2009 tax=\$55,660)

Pre-School & Day Care Center

Enrollment: 67
The parish program is financially self sustaining.

Temporal Goods

The parish has recently completed two major projects: the interior renovation of Our Lady of Sorrows Church and the construction of the full service elevator at St. Anthony Church along with an updating of the parish hall. Work remains on the various buildings of both campuses.

The parish is debt free with no outstanding loans to the Diocese of Trenton or any bank. It is current in its payments to all vendors, diocesan assessments, liability insurance premiums, and employee benefits program.

Parish Boundaries

North: From Assunpink Creek at Olden Ave. following Assunpink Creek along Hamilton-West Windsor line to Hughes Drive.

South: Mercer Street to Whitehorse-Hamilton Square Road to Klockner Road, to Whitehorse-Mercerville Road to Olden Avenue.

East: Hughes Drive to Mercer Street.

West: Olden Avenue from Hamilton Avenue to Logan Avenue, Assunpink Creek.

Organization List

Finance Council	Liturgy Committee
Choir/Cantors	Bell Choir
RCIA Team	Hospitality Teams
Catechists/Aides	Altar Servers
Readers	EMHC
Youth Group	Bible Study
Rosary-Altar Society	Holy Name Society
Bingo Team	St. Vincent de Paul
Sports Committee	Alumni Assn.
PTA	School Board
Daughters of OLS	Serra Club
Scouts	Ushers
Carmelites	Social Justice/Concerns
Seniors (3)	