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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As promised, two more reflections from members of OLMC Youth Group, on their recent mission trip to D.C.

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Growing up in Ridgewood I have always been told that we live in a bubble. Even though our community is prestigious I think there is always something people can do to help others around them no matter where they are. As soon as you “pop” the bubble, you get a new perspective. As I entered the camp it was as if I never left. It was a different time and different people surrounded me, but the purpose was still the same, to come and help those who needed it in order to build the kingdom of God. Now that sounds pretty intense and one would think we wouldn’t be able to build His whole kingdom in just a week. Our first day of service came and I walked into the site and passed one of the doors and I took a glance inside and saw these energetic kids. I made quick eye contact with this overly excited girl and she screamed “Matt” and the door closed. I went back to get info on our assignments and then one of the adults poked me on the back to turn around and there in the hallway was the girl who had screamed my name, the same one I had become friends with last year. She came up to me and gave me a big hug, and that’s when I realized building God’s Kingdom that week wouldn’t be as difficult as I imagined. By coming back we had already changed the lives of many, and we were able to see the change we made last year. It was time to do the same this year, time to make a difference and teach them as much as we could. As we left the camp on the last day I knew that we made the impact that we needed to on all the kids. Throughout our service we had influenced each other as well. It is amazing how much change can affect people, and as you serve you don’t only change others, but yourself as well.

Matt Hurley

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What I experienced on Mission was unlike any other. Although we could not actually see the conditions these kids lived in, we knew they were unstable through their actions and behavior. I can almost speak for every teen that, not only did we impact these kids’ lives, but they also impacted ours. In Youth Group we talk about building God’s Kingdom on earth. This does not necessarily mean preaching His words to the public, but you can build the Kingdom through your actions. I witnessed God’s kingdom being built through my actions and every other teen’s actions. These kids were attention deprived; they had no one to look up to, and did not have much guidance in their lives. I worked with the 1st and 2nd grade group and you could tell how much they looked up to you. Everyday, as we helped these kids, they would smile and laugh in joy. We helped guide them by teaching them proper manners, and what is right and wrong, and how to respect one another. There was an obvious change from kids who thought punching one another was normal; to saying I’m sorry, please and thank you.

I think the greatest lesson all of our teenagers can take home is to learn how to appreciate things. Some of us, myself included hate the attention our parents give us. To the kids, they don’t even receive the attention to decide whether they hate it or like it. We

dread going to school everyday to read and write. These kids beg to read books with us. Some of us hate the lunches our mothers pack for us for lunch. To these kids, our lunches are amazing compared to their simple lunch everyday, which they do not get to choose from. We receive several toys a year to our pleasure, which may last only a month or two. These kids may not receive toys like ours, and if they do, I'm sure they'd appreciate it much more than us. Overall, we teenagers have experienced life from a completely different perspective, a perspective that makes us think about our lives more, and how we have to appreciate every single thing because there are people out in the world who wish they had what we have.

Matt Giancristofaro

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I hope these reflections open all our eyes to see the many ways in which God is calling this parish community here at Mount Carmel to be more active and engaging in bringing God's Kingdom into reality in our world. God bless these teenagers and

God bless all,
Fr. Ron

STEWARDSHIP

"If you then, you who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" The Father is the giver of all good gifts; as Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel, including the gift of the Spirit Who draws us into the life of faith. In gratitude for all gifts, the Christian Steward gives back a portion of them, including **Time, Talent and Treasure**, for the growth of the Kingdom. What gifts do you give back to your generous Father?

The parish stewardship of Treasure last week was \$21025, including \$2824 in e-giving. \$2102 will be sent to the *Tuition Assistance Program of the Academy of Our Lady* as our tithe for **Sharing Our Gifts**. Because this week is already a dedicated collection, no tithe will be taken. God bless your generosity in the gifts you return to the Lord for His goodness to you.

EVER GET TO CHURCH BUT FORGOT YOUR ENVELOPE, OR YOUR CASH? TIRED OF WRITING THAT CHECK AT THE LAST MINUTE? GET WITH THE ELECTRONIC EASE OF GIVING. USE MOUNT CARMEL'S AUTOMATED GIVING. SIMPLY GO TO THE PARISH WEBSITE & ON THE HOME PAGE, CLICK ON THE PARISH PAY LOGO AND IT WILL GET YOU RIGHT IN, OR CALL 866.727.4741. AS SIMPLE AS 1-2-3.

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE
WWW.OLMCRIDGEWOOD.COM**

**THE MANY FACES OF STEWARDSHIP
JANE BURKE**



Last week we presented a profile of one of our parishioners. We didn't have her picture at the time. If you read it, you would have read a story about a courageous lady who goes where she is needed. That's **STEWARDSHIP!** If you see her in church, say hello.

"Not by Bread Alone" – a Spiritual Book Discussion Group

Do you enjoy a good read? Interested in exploring novels and other literary works with spiritual meaning in a relaxed atmosphere? Come, bring a friend, grab a sandwich, and join us on **Sunday, August 15, 5:00-6:00 p.m.**, at **Panera Bread**, 1300 State Route 17 in Ramsey. This month's selection is *Death Comes for the Archbishop* by Willa Cather. Cather's story of the missionary priest Father Jean Marie Latour begins as he arrives in 1851 in the territory of New Mexico, newly acquired by the United States. What he finds is a vast desert region of red hills and tortured Arroyos that is American by law but Mexican and Indian in custom and belief. Over the next four decades, Latour works gently and tirelessly to spread his faith and to build a soaring cathedral out of the local golden rock—while contending with unforgiving terrain, derelict and sometimes rebellious priests, and his own loneliness. Sponsored by the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Mahwah. For information, contact Jennifer at 201.327.1276 or paicc@yahoo.com.

SOCIAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

The next collection for Social Services of Ridgewood this summer will occur this weekend, **Sunday, July 25th**. Their greatest needs are 100% fruit juice, coffee, personal care items, household items, canned meats (spam, chicken, ham) rice, snacks, and spaghetti sauce. Other non-perishable food is always welcome as well and can be left in the vestibule of the Church. As always, we appreciate your generosity.



50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

October 16, 2010

Be a part of *SOMETHING WONDERFUL!*

Charity Auction to benefit building a New Church in the Turks and Caicos



No room inside the Church. The overflow attending Sunday Mass seen here must worship outside the main building.

DONATE ONLINE AT www.olmcridgewood.com

For more information email:
celebrate50@olmcridgewood.com
or call 201.444.2000 ext. 209

Let us pray for the men and women in Iraq or Afghanistan, especially those from Ridgewood: Kimberly Daub, Michael Doody, Ian Duke, Pamela Goodman, John Mortan Haliburton, Elias Ibay, Daniel Kaspar, Michael Kerns, James McNally, Matthew Minor, Edgar Monsanto, Michael J. Syvertson, Stuart Walker, and all their families.
Please let us know the names of additional Ridgewood residents, who are serving in either Iraq or Afghanistan.

PLEASE -

DON'T TAKE A VACATION FROM CHURCH

If you are traveling this summer, you can find the nearest church and Mass schedule by calling 1.410.676.6000 or by using the Internet: www.masstimes.org. Don't take a vacation from God. Please.

Religious Education

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
9:00AM to 4:00PM

“Go, make disciples of all nations...baptizing them...teaching them...” (Matt 28:19-20)

We have a great need of school model catechists starting in the fall for grades 1 through 6. **There will be approximately 38 classes and we currently need a minimum of 17 more catechists.** We do have aides for some of our classes so you will not be alone. Consider teaching with a friend. Our classes are on Sundays 10:45AM – 12:15PM, Tuesdays 4:00PM – 5:30PM and Wednesdays 4:00PM – 5:30PM.

Please contact Marie at 201.444.0211 so we can sit and discuss this ministry. Please pray and ask God if He is calling you to this ministry. Catechist training sessions will be in early September. Please know that you will receive support along the way.

Mandatory Catechist meetings for the new school year:

Catechist meeting for Grades 7 & 8 will be held on
Tuesday, August 31 at 7:00PM.

Catechist meetings for Grade 1 – 6 will be held on
Wednesday, September 1 at 9:30AM or 7:00PM
or

Wednesday, September 8 at 9:30AM or 7:00PM

You need attend only **one meeting**. We will be using a new program next year, *Call to Faith*. At the meeting, John O'Connor will teach you how to use the new catechist guide and how to use eConnect. Please call Marie Cummings with any questions.

Registration for the 2010-2011 school year:

Registration for Grades 1 through 8 is ongoing for Religious Education School Model and Home Group programs! Please register as soon as possible so we may adequately prepare for next year.

Home Group Catechists:

We need your attendance sheets as soon as possible!! We are updating the children's permanent record cards. Also, please remember to drop off your catechist guides.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Any men of the parish who wish to join or to just learn more about the Knights of Columbus here in Ridgewood should visit the Council website at www.ridgewoodkofc.org and click on the Membership page for more information.

INTERCESSIONS FOR LIFE

For persons diagnosed with a terminal illness,
That the love of Our Lord will be evident
In the tender care they receive from family and caregivers;
We pray to the Lord.....

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (PEA)

Where man connects with God 24/7- Chapel is open
24/7- Children are welcome!

All Adorers are reminded to call their Hour Coordinator, Division Leader/Head Coordinator whenever going on vacation or whenever they cannot make their hour. This will ensure that we keep our love and respect for the Blessed Sacrament. Coordinators will help find a substitute. It is important that the Blessed Sacrament is not left alone. It is also charity to give consideration to the Adorer before us by coming 5 minutes before our scheduled hour.

Scheduled Adorers needed: **Mondays:** 1-2AM, **Tuesday** 2-3AM, **Thursdays:** 1-2AM, 2-3AM, 4-5AM, **Fridays,** 9-10PM, **Sundays:** 4-5AM.

For more information, please call Cynthia at 201.447.3150
cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com



- Sun. July 25th** 4:00PM Hispanic Social (PC1A/1B)
- Wed. July 28th** 8:00PM Neo-Catechumenal Way (PC/MR)
- Fri. July 30th** 7:30PM Neo-Catechumenal Way (PC1A)
- Sat. July 31st** 9:00AM Men's Basketball (Gym)
- 9:30AM STEPs (MR)
- 8:00PM Neo-Catechumenal Way (PC/MR)

Please pray for the ill members of our parish

Diana Carlin, Peter Colgan, Luciano Dinnella, Donna Franco, Thomas Franco, Doris Havier, James E. Hough, Anna Lobascio, Owen Lynch, William McCabe, Tristan Morris, Christopher Roddy, Carlos Ronda, Peter Schreck, Luke Schwendeman, Susan Sullivan, Margaret McCabe.

If a family member is hospitalized, please contact the Rectory so a priest can visit them.

THE NJ CENTER OF DIVINE MERCY

Invites you to a Celebration of Prayer & Healing, Saturday 7/31/10 at 3:00PM

St. Rocco's Church, 212 Hunterdon Street, Newark, NJ

Featuring Reflections on the Eucharist by

Paul Miller, SFO & Founder of The Healing Ministry of Divine Mercy

Visit our website for more details at:

www.centerofdivinemercy.com or
www.healingministryofdivinemercy.com



MT CARMEL ANNUAL SUMMER RETREAT

What: A Pilgrimage with Mary, Mystic and Prophet
Who: For all parishioners and friends of the parish
When: Tuesday, August 31, 2010 9:30AM-4:00 PM
Where: Carmel Retreat, 1071 Ramapo Valley Rd. (Rt 202), Mahwah, NJ

This will be the 7th summer that parishioners and friends of OLMC will be given the opportunity to set apart some time with others at beautiful Carmel Retreat to reflect on some aspect of our spiritual journey and Catholic faith. Our presenters this year will be from Holy Name Province, Franciscan Ministry of the Word at Bethany Ministries. Fr. Peter Chepaitis, OFM and Sr. Anna Tantsits, IHM bring a wealth of talent and insight into our theme on Mary, the Mother of Jesus, who was a beloved daughter, loving mother and faithful disciple. We will reflect on Mary as she is revealed in Scripture and popular devotion, and probe her relationship with the Trinity.

The day will include coffee upon arrival, three conferences, celebration of the Eucharist, some quiet time for reflection and a wonderful lunch at midday. Direction may be found on the retreat house website. www.carmelretreat.com.

Cost for the day will be \$45. Please fill out the tear off below and drop off at the rectory or mail with a check made out to OLMC. Questions? Call Linda English at 201.444.2000, ext 204 or email at lenglish@olmcridgewood.com.

Carmel Summer Retreat
Name _____
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JULY 25, 2010

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Monday, July 26th *Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

- + 6:30AM **Joseph Davey**
req His sister, Maureen Fiasconaro
- + 8:30AM **Mary Rooney**
req The Mullen Family
- +12:00NN **Patricia Madison**
req Bonnie McCarthy

Tuesday, July 27th

- + 6:30AM **Jack Dunworth**
req His Family
- + 8:30AM **Ted Winfield**
req RHS Class of '99
- + 12:00NN **Joseph Denyeau (7th Anniv.)**
req His Family

Wednesday, July 28th

- + 6:30AM **Cassie Mazziotta**
req Maureen Courtney
- + 8:30AM **Miriam Kissane**
req Catholic Daughters of America
- +12:00NN **Patrick Doyle**
req The Selby Family

Thursday, July 29th *Saint Martha*

- + 6:30AM **Gerard Tarino**
req Rosemary & Vinny Frisby
- + 8:30AM **John Kiley**
req The Paternoster Family
- + 12:00NN **Elaine Nelson**
req The Van Tassel Family

Friday, July 30th *Saint Peter Chrysologus, bishop and doctor of the Church*

- + 6:30AM **Michael D. Yablonsky**
req Fred Meyers
- + 8:30AM **Miriam Kissane**
req Ann & John Cronin
- +12:00NN **Robert F. Espel**
req Ruth Fearon

Saturday, July 31st

- + 8:30AM **Ben Rizzo**
req His Family
- 5:30PM **People of the Parish**

Sunday, Aug. 1st *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- + 8:00AM **Elizabeth Clark**
req The Brophy Family
- + 9:30AM **Patricia Madison**
req Martin & Alice Mauro
- +11:00AM **Deceased Members of the Bohan & Simonetti Families**
req Their Family
- +12:30PM **Rose Indovino**
req Rita Indovino
- + 3:00PM **Alyce Clancy**
req Ray & Terry Myer
- + 6:30PM **Carolyn F. Townsend**
req Her Family

TODAY'S READINGS

1. **Genesis 18: 20-32**
Continuing the Abraham story from the same chapter as last week, the Patriarch accompanies the divine visitors as they walk down the road. So highly regarded is Abraham that God makes known to him His plan for the destruction of the sinful cities. In the bartering dialogue that ensues, a new theological possibility is taking shape: will God place more value on the survival of the righteous than on the punishment deserved by the guilty? Will God break the cycle of guilt in order to intervene with forgiveness and mercy? While the final outcome does not change, the foundation of a new revelation has been laid.
2. **Colossians 2: 12-14**
In this excerpted text, the bond Paul refers to is humanity's indebtedness to death because of sin. Jesus, because He freely offers Himself on the cross for us, frees believers from this indebtedness, and not only from the indebtedness, but also from all empty and futile religious practices (such as circumcision) by which humanity tried to be justified in the sight of God. For the believer, faith and baptism unites a person with Christ in His death and resurrection.
3. **Luke 11: 1-13**
In gospel times, different groups that followed different teachers could be identified by their way of praying. Jesus' disciples also want to be recognized by the prayer of the Master. In response, Jesus teaches them a series of petitions addressed to the "Abba." It captures the unique relationship Jesus had with His Father which He now shares with His followers. While the contents of the petitions are not extraordinary, the tense is. It is present imperative – indicating a command or demand, which changes the tone of the prayer into one of extreme boldness. The story that follows teaches that prayer must be a full and total engagement with God.

Reflections for the Week

1. Like Abraham, when have I been surprised by God's willingness to show me His mercy?
2. Can I think of a time when my persistence in prayer has yielded benefits? Have those benefits ever been unexpected?
3. Has my praying the Lord's Prayer become too routine? How might I offer this prayer (even in the longer version) with greater devotion and expectancy?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

(always subject to change)

Sat. 7/31	5:30 PM	Fr. George
Sun. 8/1	8:00 AM	Fr. Mert
	9:30 AM	Fr. Ron
	11:00 AM	Fr. George
	12:30 PM	Fr. Tom
	3:00 PM	Visitor
	6:30 PM	Fr. Tom