

# **GOOD NEWS**

## **Our Lady of Victory RAS Newsletter**

### **Our Lady of Victory Church**

#### **2 Floral Parkway**

#### **Floral Park, NY 11001**

January 2022

*The Hail Mary...is the most perfect compliment which you can make to Mary, because it is the compliment which the Most High sent her by an archangel, in order to gain her heart. ~ Saint Louis De Montfort ~*

Dear Rosarians,

I hope you all had a wonderful and blessed Christmas and I wish each of you a Happy New Year! I would also like to THANK YOU for your tremendous efforts in making 2021 a very successful year...not just monetarily, but more importantly for the hard work and selfless acts of service. We had back-to-back to back events that were all done with grace, determination and a smile. 2021 may pose to be a hard act to follow in 2022!

We have a myriad of exciting events this year (all of which are mentioned herein), beginning with great speakers that Laura Hagan has arranged. Our beloved Pastor being the first on the docket...is always a great way to start the year, as his sermons so often prove to be quite thought provoking.

In February, we will host our annual Phat Sunday Pancake Breakfast, which never ceases to be without fun (often with unexpected surprises) and quite a messy morning. Please join us this year to help serve our parish a hearty and filling breakfast before the Lenten season begins. This event is brought to you by another splendid idea from Janice Harnett.

This April we will reignite our Day of Recollection, held at the Sisters of St. Joseph in Brentwood. Sisters Philip and Rosemary are looking forward to our visit. This event is open to all the ladies of OLV parish. I must admit, my first and only visit to this magnificent "campus" was for Sister Regina's funeral. I cannot describe it as you must see for yourself the beauty and holiness of this place. I urge you to attend. For those newer members, Mary Farrell had organized this event for many years at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston, yet we are unable to visit there this year. We applaud and appreciate all of Mary's past efforts in arranging this beautiful day of reflection and prayer.

In May we will have our annual Communion Breakfast at Trinity chaired by our tireless Mary McGowan and in June we will close out with our end of the year celebration at Swing the Teapot.

I ask anyone who is interested in getting (more) involved, to fill out the necessary forms attached or simply reach out to me at 516-209-1649 or [Tracy8077@aim.com](mailto:Tracy8077@aim.com). I can honestly say that the more I experience the involvement with this group of wonderful women, the more I feel God's grace. Whether it's volunteering at an event, praying, or having a simple dialogue, I always walk away touched by something...thank you for that.

In his sermon in early December, Fr. Tom spoke of the ending of the year of St. Joseph and summarized his life with 4 words... simplicity, prayer, courage, compassion. In life, I believe we do our best to achieve happiness and joy and often find it, yet we also may encounter times of grief, setbacks, illness, fear. These past few years seem to be riddled with hard times for many people. However, if like St. Joseph, we try and live these four words, I believe the Lord can promise us a good life. I wish you all a healthy, happy and peaceful 2022. Count your blessings!

God bless,  
Tracy Bohack

*"The Lord never promised that we could pick our cross, but He promised to be there to help us bear it.  
The Lord is Faithful!" Cor. 10:13*

## **Our Lady of Victory Rosary Altar Society Board Members 2021-2022**

| <b>Position</b>         | <b>Name</b>                | <b>Phone Number</b> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| President               | Tracy Bohack               | 516-209-1649        |
| Vice President          | Laura Hagan                | 718-986-3892        |
| Treasurer               | Caterina Lafergola (Cathy) | 516-232-1311        |
| Recording Secretary     | Susan Doyle (Sue)          | 516-775-1571        |
| Corresponding Secretary | Ellen McNamara             | 516-328-3614        |

**Advisors:** Andrea Mulligan (516-354-7091), Anne Marie McGeever (515-225-6377), Pat Murray (516-328-8281)

| <b>Committee</b>                    | <b>Chairperson(s)</b>                         | <b>Phone Number</b>          |
|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Altar Bands                         | Kathi Insingo                                 | 516-849-6451                 |
| Altar Linens                        | Liz Cusumano                                  | 516-328-8505                 |
| Closet/Coffee                       | Fran Buscemi                                  | 516-369-6114                 |
| Door                                | Felina Tucci<br>Eileen Stephens               | 516-775-4979<br>516-974-3631 |
| Hospitality                         | Kathi Insingo                                 | 516-849-6451                 |
| Membership                          | Anne Marie McGeever                           | 516-225-6377                 |
| Membership List/Volunteers          | Peggy Santorelli                              | 917-543-9252                 |
| Memorial                            | Mary McCarthy<br>Dorothy Drumgoole            | 718-831-9692<br>516-305-5158 |
| Newsletter                          | Marion Tannuzzo                               | 516-358-4102                 |
| Pilgrim Statue of Mary (ON HOLD)    | Fran Buscemi                                  | 516-369-6114                 |
| Publicity                           | Debbie Sawicki                                | 516-354-9112                 |
| Servicemen's League                 | Melanie Herger<br>Anne Marie McGeever         | 516-488-3304<br>515-225-6377 |
| Set Up                              | Frank Buscemi<br>Diane Delaney                | 516-369-6114<br>516-358-7687 |
| Ways & Means<br>Communion Breakfast | *needs to be filled for 2022*<br>Mary McGowan | 516-775-5764                 |

### **Memorial Committee - Funerals for Deceased Rosarians**

The memorial masses for the following Rosarians who have died in 2021 are in brackets after their name:

**March:** Kathleen Wilson (3/3/22 @ 12 noon)

Katherine Lang (12/26/ 1 @ 9 am)

**August:** Marie Alesandrini (7/30/22 @ 5:30 pm)

**November:** Antoinette Tricarico-O'Shea (11/5/22 @ 5:30 pm)

Kathleen Slavin (8/1/22 at 12 noon)

**December:** Laura Rassiga (12/1/22 at 12 noon)

If you would like to be on the list to be called in the event of a Rosarian's death, please contact Dorothy Drumgoole to be added to the phone chain.

### **Servicemen's League**

Melanie Herger, Lucille Feigenbaum and Anne Marie McGeever are collecting new, unused items for setting up new homes for our servicemen. Please bring to the meetings new household items (kitchen items, utensils, cleaning supplies, etc.). For more information, please call Melanie at 516-488-3304. Rosary also reserves 8:30 am First Saturday Masses for the people serving in the military. Dates for Servicemen's Masses in 2022 are: January 1, February 12, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, August 6, September 3, October 1, November 12 and December 3.

## **2022 CALENDAR FOR OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**

**Please note that this is a preliminary schedule and is subject to change per restrictions due to the COVID-19**

**Guidelines – Changes will be listed in the OLV Bulletin or the OLV Website.**

### **JANUARY 2022**

2 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in OLV Church (all RAS members) followed by FIRST MEMBERSHIP MEETING of the new year at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall. Guest Speaker: Fr. Thomas Fusco (all RAS members welcome).

31 BOARD MEETING – 7:00 pm in PARISH CENTER (Board members). Bring your own beverage!

### **FEBRUARY 2022**

6 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in OLV Church (all RAS members) followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING in OLV Church. Guest Speaker: Dr. Douglas Lambert will speak on weight management and nutrition. (all RAS members)

26 SET UP FOR PHAT SUNDAY in Memorial Hall from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

27 PHAT SUNDAY in Memorial Hall – Fundraiser for OLV Parish Outreach – pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be sold after Sunday Masses from 7:30 am to 12:00 noon – details in OLV Bulletin (open to all in OLV)

28 BOARD MEETING – 7:00 pm in PARISH CENTER (Board members). Bring your own beverage!

### **MARCH 2022**

6 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in OLV Church, followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall – St. Patrick's Day Event. Guest Speaker: Rosemary Sullivan, who Executive Director of the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors, will speak about Women in the Church under the Mantle of Mary. Also, the Nominating Committee will announce the proposed slate of officers for 2022-2023. (all RAS members)

28 BOARD MEETING – 7:00 pm in PARISH CENTER (Board members). Bring your own beverage!

### **APRIL 2022**

4 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in OLV Church, followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall. Luisa Mendoza, who is a yoga instructor and Soul Core leader for the past 5 years, will lead us in Gentle Chair Yoga as we pray the Rosary (all RAS members).

17 EASTER SUNDAY

21 DAY OF RECOLLECTION at St. Joseph's in Brentwood from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. This event is open to all women in OLV Parish. Details, cost and signup sheet will be in OLV Bulletin.

25 BOARD MEETING – 7:00 pm in PARISH CENTER (Board members). Bring your own beverage!

### **MAY 2022**

1 ROSARY MASS at 9:00 am in OLV Church followed by COMMUNION BRUNCH at 10:00 am at Trinity Restaurant. Guest Speaker: Anne Marie McLaughlin. See signup sheet attached. Details and cost will be in OLV Bulletin. (RAS members and guests)

23 BOARD MEETING – 7:00 pm in PARISH CENTER (Board members). Bring your own beverage!

### **JUNE 2022**

5 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in OLV Church – Installation of New Officers, followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall– year-end meeting/celebration (all RAS members)

12 END OF THE YEAR BRUNCH at Swing the Teapot. Details, cost and sign up sheet will be in OLV Bulletin. (RAS members and guests)

27 CALENDAR MEETING – 7:00 pm in PARISH CENTER (Innovative Members). Bring your own beverage!

***If you have any questions regarding any dates or if you have any concerns regarding the weather, please do not hesitate to contact any of our board members. Stay safe and God bless you!***

***If you have not already paid your dues, please do so now. If you need to check on your membership status, please contact Cathy Lafergola at 516-232-1311. Thank you!***

**OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY - ANNUAL DUES FOR 9/2021- 6/2022 -\$15.00**

Please drop off at the Rectory with a check for \$15.00 to Rosary Altar Society OR bring to the September Meeting. PLEASE MARK THE ENVELOPE: **OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY - DUES**. Should you wish to donate an additional amount, it is most appreciated. THANK YOU!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ BEST WAY TO CONTACT ME: \_\_\_\_\_

**I WILL VOLUNTEER FOR (CIRCLE AT LEAST ONE):**

|                    |                            |                              |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Altar Bands        | Harvest Fair – Oct         | 50/50 & Raffle Sales         | Meeting Set Up       |
| Altar Linens       | Harvest Fair Setup/Cleanup | Advent Wreath Sale           | Meeting Clean Up     |
| Baking Team        | Parish Center Clean Up     | Painting Event Assistance    | Receptions – anytime |
| Memorial Committee | Communion Breakfast Set Up | Communion Breakfast Clean Up | Unable to Help       |

Other talents: \_\_\_\_\_

ALSO, \_\_\_\_\_ I NEED A RIDE TO MEETINGS \_\_\_\_\_ I CAN DRIVE SOMEONE TO MEETINGS



**COMMUNION BREAKFAST**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022**



**Who:** All OLV Rosarians, spouses and/or friends are invited (Please reserve seats early.)

Table sizes will be determined by allowable capacity per COVID restrictions.

**When:** Sunday, May 1, 2022 (after 9:00 am Mass)

**Where:** Trinity Restaurant, 190 Jericho Turnpike, Floral Park, NY

**Cost:** \$\_\_\_\_\_ per person (please make checks payable to "OLV Rosary Altar Society")

If you are interested in attending, please send check(s) AND this form to the rectory by Sunday, April 24, 2022. We can seat you at a table or if you want to coordinate a table, please provide a list. Contact Mary McGowan for reservation questions at 516-775-5764.

Attendee Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Seat with: \_\_\_\_\_

**SWEEPSTAKES FOR ROSARY ALTAR COMMUNION BREAKFAST**  
**SUNDAY, May 1, 2022**

TICKETS ARE 6 FOR \$5.00, 14 for \$10.00 OR \$1.00 EACH. DROP OFF AT THE RECTORY BY April 24, 2022. PLEASE MARK THE ENVELOPE: **OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY – COMMUNION BREAKFAST SWEEPSTAKES**.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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