

GOOD NEWS

**Our Lady of Victory RAS Newsletter
Our Lady of Victory Church
2 Floral Parkway
Floral Park, NY 11001**

September 2019

My Dear Rosarians,

First I must tell you, I am overwhelmed that you have allowed me to serve this wonderful organization and I thank you for the opportunity to represent you. Although I have not been a Rosarian for very long, I feel very much at home with you ladies. You have welcomed and accepted me and I will do my very best to represent and lead the Rosary Altar Society.

I ask for your patience and understanding as we get organized and move forward with so many different missions of the Rosary Altar Society at Our Lady of Victory Parish. I am amazed at all the work that is done and committed to helping grow the membership so that we can fulfill our commitments and more can be done.

Thanks to all who helped set the calendar and the events for the upcoming year! Thank you also to those who have stepped forward and volunteered to chair, co-chair and coordinate all the many events and responsibilities that the Rosary Altar Society undertakes (see attached!). Please consider reaching out to help on an event wherever you can. I am grateful to all who have volunteered for leadership positions including the Board Members.

We have a new ministry, Pilgrim Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary program, which adds to our recurring responsibilities of Altar Bands, Altar Linens, Memorial Committee, Serviceman's League and parish receptions to name a few.

There are events to look forward to such as our Harvest Fair returning in October, our Christmas Party in December and Day of Recollection, Pfat Sunday Fundraiser and the Communion Breakfast in the Spring. There will be craft parties, monthly meetings, and New Membership Installation. Whew! As I wrote earlier, much to do and many hands will be needed. If everyone does a little bit to help, there is nothing we cannot accomplish!

I look forward to praying with you, working with you and continuing to build friendships, make memories and serve the parish of Our Lady of Victory. If you have any ideas or suggestions or are in need of any help, please feel free to contact me at kathinsingo@verizon.net or call my cell at 516-849-6451.

God Bless you and your families!

Kathi

Kathi Insingo
President

Our Lady of Victory Rosary Altar Society Board Members 2019-2020

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President	Kathleen Insingo	516-849-6451
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	Anne Marie McGeever	516-225-6377
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Altar Bands/Altar Linens	Kitty Walsh	516-775-2779
Closet/Coffee	Andrea Mulligan	516-354-7091
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Hospitality	Lucille Feigenbaum	516-599-3591
Membership	Anne Marie McGeever	516-225-6377
Memorial	Mary McCarthy	718-831-9692
Newsletter	Marion Tannuzzo	516-358-4102
Pilgrim Statute of Mary	Fran Buscemi	516-369-6114
Publicity	Debbie Sawicki	516-354-9112
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2019-2020 CALENDAR FOR O.L.V. ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

AUGUST 2019

26 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

SEPTEMBER 2019

8 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church (all RAS members). MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am to follow in Memorial Hall – Speaker will be FDNY Battalion Chief Bohack who will talk about his Company's response to 9/11 (all RAS members)

30 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

OCTOBER 2019

6 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church (all RAS members). MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am to follow in Memorial Hall (all RAS members). Floral Park Fire Department members will speak on Fire Prevention.

12 ROSARY FOR OUR LADY OF FATIMA at 12 noon in OLV Schoolyard – Florence Sabbat will lead (OLV Parish members)

25 Set up for HARVEST FAIR in Memorial Hall after 4 pm. Please also bring in donations of any baked items between 4 pm and 8 pm (RAS volunteers needed)

26 HARVEST FAIR – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in Memorial Hall. (RAS volunteers needed.) Tables available at \$25.00 for inside and \$10.00 for outside (bring your own table for outside vendors). (NOTE: If you want to bring in baked goods, please do so before 10:00 am.) Everyone is welcome – spread the word! (RAS volunteers needed.)

28 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

NOVEMBER 2019

3 ROSARY MASS – 9 am in O.L.V. Church (all RAS members), followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall (all RAS members are welcome). Speaker will be Educator, Author and Floral Park Resident, Dave Bonagura.

16 CRAFT PARTY FUNDRAISER – Children's Craft Project at 5:00 pm; Women paint Wine Glasses at 7:00 pm
Memorial Hall reserved from 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm – see details in OLV Bulletin

24 ADVENT WREATH SALE with Right to Life Bake Sale in Memorial Hall from 8am-2:30 pm (need 4 RAS volunteers)

25 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

DECEMBER 2019

1 ROSARY MASS –9:00 am in O.L.V. Church (all RAS members), followed by CHRISTMAS PARTY at 11:00 am at Pompei Caterers, 401 Hempstead Avenue, West Hempstead. Cost will be \$36.00 per person. Please make reservations by November 18 – see attached for details. (Open to all RAS members and friends)

30 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – at Parish Center (Board members)

JANUARY 2020

5 ROSARY MASS - 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church (all RAS members), followed by FIRST MEMBERSHIP MEETING of the year at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall (all RAS members are welcome). Speaker will be Maryann Moorehead, Travel Agent

27 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

FEBRUARY 2020

- 2 MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 9:00 am in Memorial Hall –Valentine's Day celebration, followed by 12:00 noon ROSARY MASS in O.L.V. Church (all RAS members) (NOTE: Membership meeting precedes Mass.) Speaker will be our own Fr. Sullivan!
- 22 SET UP FOR PHAT SUNDAY in Memorial Hall from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- 23 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 after 12:00 noon – details in OLV Bulletin (open to all in OLV Parish)
- 24 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

MARCH 2020

- 1 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church, followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall – St Patrick's Day Event (all RAS members) –Nominating Committee will announce the proposed slate of officers for 2019-2020
- 30 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

APRIL 2020

- 5 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church, followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall (all RAS members)
- 12 EASTER SUNDAY
- TBD DAY OF RECOLLECTION at Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston – 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- 27 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)

MAY 2020

- 3 ROSARY MASS at 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church with installation of new members followed by our annual COMMUNION BREAKFAST – more details to follow (Open to all RAS Members and friends)
- 18 BOARD MEETING – 7:30 pm – Parish Center (Board members)
- 25 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE– RAS to participate. Meet at 9:30 am at American Legion Hall on Elizabeth Street

JUNE 2020

- 7 ROSARY MASS – 9:00 am in O.L.V. Church – Installation of New Officers, followed by MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 10:00 am in Memorial Hall (all RAS members) – year end party
- 29 CALENDAR MEETING – Parish Center – 7:30 pm (Innovative Members)

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!

New Committee – Pilgrim Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Rosary Altar Society sponsors a traveling statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The statue travels from home to home of OLV parishioners who have volunteered to host the statue for one week. A box of intensions travels with the statue. Transfers are done on Tuesdays usually with closing prayers at the host family’s home, pack up the statue and drive to the new host family home, setup and opening prayers are said along with a decade of the Rosary. Time commitment in total is just under 1 hour: 6:50 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. on Tuesdays. Usually two or three Rosarians traveling for this transfer is best. It does not always have to be the same volunteers. If you are interested in hosting the statue or volunteering to assist in the transfer on Tuesdays, please contact Fran Buscemi at 516-369-6114 or chose to volunteer on your Membership Form.

Memorial Committee - Funerals for Deceased Rosarians

A medal will be placed on each Rosarian before we attend the wake to recite the Rosary on the day prior to the funeral. At the funeral, Rosarians will be given candles for the procession in front of the coffin. Procession formation is center aisle pews (from back of church forward). We wait until the altar server with the cross is in the center of the aisle, then processional order is as follows: Memorial Chairman, President, Officers, Past Presidents, followed by members as they process down the center aisle and go around to the right to the side aisle at the front of the church to enter the pews from there. Start with third and fourth pews (each side of the procession will enter the same pew) and go back as needed. At the end of the funeral the procession will leave once the altar server is in the center of the aisle with the cross, then the two rows of Rosarians will come out at the same time into the center aisle with Memorial Chairman and President; then both rows will face the altar until the priest turns toward the back of the church and then they will proceed into the narthex, forming a line on each side of the center door. Stay with candles lit until all mourners have left the church. This is an honor and privilege bestowed upon each Rosarian as “once a Rosarian, always a Rosarian.”

So far, in 2019, the following Rosary members died – their Rosary Mass is in brackets after their name:

January	Dorothy Galgano (9/8/19 – 12 noon) Virginia Vetter (11/10/19 – 12 noon) Ann Confessori (no Mass)	July	No Rosarians died this month.
February	Josephine Wengert (10/13/19 – 12 noon) Jeannette O’Sullivan (10/13/19 – 12 noon)	August	Helen McCoy (TBD)
March	Gloria Walker (3/29/20 – 12 noon)	September	
April	Margaret Chemla (4/26/20 – 12 noon)	October	
May	Lucy Paciullo (5/6/20 – 12 noon) Joan Largan (5/24.20 - 12 noon) Anne Hearne (5/31/20 – 12 noon) Mary Foarile (5/31/20 -12 noon) Katherine Fitzmaurice (5/23/20 – 5:30 pm) Gladys Weinberg 6/6/20 – 5:30 pm)	November	
June	Mary Suppe (6/17/20 – 12 noon)	December	

If you would like to be on the list to be called in the event of a Rosarian’s death, please contact Mary McCarthy (Memorial Chairlady) at 718-831-9692.

Help Needed for Altar Bands and Altar Linens

Kitty Walsh needs Rosarians to help with these important ministries. Altar Linens involves picking up the linens from the sacristy on Friday or Saturday mornings, washing, drying and ironing the linens for prompt return to the sacristy. Volunteers are in place making the assignments every 6 months or so! Altar Bands involves light cleaning of the church including dusting, changing of the water at Holy Water fonts, checking the areas around the votive candles, etc. Volunteers for this are in a 2 person team and assignments are posted in the weekly bulletin. Assignments occur every 10 weeks and volunteers are desperately needed! Please call Kitty at 775-2779 if you can help her with these duties. Thank you.

Rosarians Needed at Our Monthly Masses

Maureen Lonergan, our Corresponding Secretary, is in charge of getting two Rosarians to bring up the gifts at our monthly Mass. If you want to volunteer to bring up the gifts at Mass, please call Maureen to volunteer; her phone number is 516-775-7551. Thanks.

Servicemen's League

Melanie Herger, Lucille Feigenbaum and AnneMarie 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. In 2019, the following Masses will be reserved for the Military: September 7 and December 7 and in 2020, Masses will be January 4, February 1, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July 4, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 14 and December 5.



Lucille Feigenbaum delivers Rosary Altar Society donations to Lisa Cummings at the VA Extended Care Center, St. Albans. Thank you to all members for your continued generosity!

New prayer cards for first responders or anyone in military service have been printed and are available. Please contact Melanie Herger if you need one! These are small prayer cards which can be carried in a wallet. So far they have travelled far and wide and our prayers and intentions are much appreciated by all who receive these special cards!

Blessed medals are available for family members of Rosarians serving in the armed forces and first responders. Please contact Anne Marie McGeever or Melanie Herger to make arrangements.

Mary Brennan INN

Marion Tannuzzo is collecting towels for use at the Mary Brennan INN. Towels do not need to be new, just clean and dry. Also, if you travel and get small bottles of shampoo and lotion and bars of soap, Marion would be happy to also collect those for use at the INN. Please bring these items to the monthly membership meeting or call Marion at 516-358-4102 to arrange for pick up or drop off and Marion will bring them to the INN.

NEW FUNDRAISER – RECIPE BOOKS

This is a new and long-term project. We will be collecting recipes to build a RAS Cookbook. If anyone is interested in coordinating this project, volunteers are needed. We will be collecting your tried and true recipes and anything you would like to contribute is welcome. Submissions will be collected throughout this year and for publication next year. All categories will be needed from appetizers, main dishes, side dishes, baked goods, desserts and what to do with leftovers! The goal is to have it ready for publication for next year's Harvest Fair 2020! If there is a story that goes with a special recipe, please include that as well as your name. This will make the book uniquely Rosarian.

HELP NEEDED

Please contact Janice Harnett if you are available to help with the Receptions that may be requested by Fr. Tom during the year. This year we supported the Symbolon meetings with refreshments for each week of presentations as well as special events throughout the year. We are looking for someone to volunteer to take a leadership role for this new need. Receptions needs a leader, please consider volunteering and reach out to Janice!

Help is also needed for the Memorial Committee. Our friend, Mary McCarthy, would like to "retire" from her position as Chairperson and a replacement is needed. Please contact Kathi Insingo (516-849-6451) or Mary McCarthy directly if you are interested in this important work.

Membership

New members are always welcome! You can start anytime. Join us for monthly meetings, volunteer for an event and pray with us. The OLV Rosary Altar Society is a warm group of ladies serving our parish together in many different ways. We would love to have you! A membership form is attached to this newsletter, please send it in at any time. You can call AnneMarie McGeever (516-225-6377) or Kathi Insingo (516-849-6451) for further information.

CHRISTMAS PARTY LUNCHEON (reserve seats early)

Who: All OLV Rosarians, spouses and/or friends are invited
When: December 1, 2019 - Sunday at 12 noon (after 9am Mass and Rosary)
Where: Pompei Restaurant located at 401 Hempstead Ave, West Hempstead 11552
Provided: Italian Cuisine and music for dancing. Raffles will be available.
Cost: \$36 per person (checks need to be made to "Rosary Altar Society")

If you are interested in attending, please send check(s) and this form to the rectory by November 24. We can easily seat you on a table or if you want to coordinate a table, please provide a separate list of ladies. One table can accommodate 8 to 12 ladies.

Attendee Name _____ Attendee Phone: _____
Seated with: _____

SWEEPSTAKES FOR ROSARY ALTAR CHRISTMAS PARTY (12/1/19)

TICKETS ARE 6 FOR \$5.00 OR \$1.00 EACH. DROP OFF AT THE RECTORY BY NOV. 24, 2019. PLEASE MARK THE ENVELOPE: "OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY - CHRISTMAS PARTY SWEEPSTAKES".

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____ TOTAL NO. OF TICKETS PURCHASED _____

SWEEPSTAKES FOR ROSARY ALTAR HARVEST FAIR (10/26/19)

TICKETS ARE 6 FOR \$5.00 OR \$1.00 EACH. DROP OFF AT THE RECTORY BY OCT. 19, 2019. PLEASE MARK THE ENVELOPE: "OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY - HARVEST FAIR SWEEPSTAKES".

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____ TOTAL NO. OF TICKETS PURCHASED _____

O.L.V. ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY - ANNUAL DUES FOR 9/2019- 6/2020 is \$12.00

PLEASE DROP OFF AT THE RECTORY WITH A CHECK FOR \$12.00 OR BRING TO SEPT. MEETING!
PLEASE MARK THE ENVELOPE: "OLV ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY - DUES". THANK YOU!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER (home) _____ (cell) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

I WILL VOLUNTEER FOR (CIRCLE AT LEAST ONE):

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| Altar Bands | Door | Harvest Fair – Oct | Phone Calls |
| Altar Linens | Memorial | Advent Wreath Sale | Membership |
| Closet/Coffee | Parish Center Clean-Up | Pilgrim Statue Blessed Virgin Mary | 50/50 & raffle sales |
| Meeting Set-Up | Baked Goods | Receptions – anytime | Unable to help |

Other talents: _____

ALSO, _____ I NEED A RIDE TO MEETINGS _____ I CAN DRIVE SOMEONE TO MEETINGS