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Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Jude and St. Anthony: Wednesday Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & 12Noon Mass.

Tuesday-Novena Prayer and Adoration: 2:00-3:00pm

Thursday-Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction: 7:00pm

Friday-Exposition & Adoration: 12:30PM-3:00pm

Nocturnal Adoration: First Friday evening 8pm to Saturday 8am

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Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

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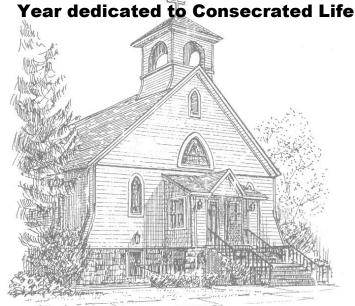
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October 11, 2015 A.D.



WELCOME

To the Parish Family of **OUR LADY OF VICTORIES** (THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm & 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 10:45am,

12:00pm, 6:00pm & 7:00pm

Latin Mass: Every Sunday at 8:15am

Weekdays: M-Sat 8:00am &12:00noon

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Our Lady of Victories, Harrington Park/River Vale N.J.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please *PRAY* in the name of *JESUS*, the Healer, that the *SICK* of OLV *PARISH* may be restored to health and all those who *ASSIST* and *CARE* for the sick will be given the *STRENGTH* to continue *GOD'S GOOD WILL*: Isabella Ruggiero, Maria Aleman, Elizabeth Clark, Kathleen Dolan, Rebecca Fastiggi, Thomas Haring, Arnold Kemner, Ken Mosier, Kathleen Musante, Suzanne Rothschild, Wendy Ruggiero, Cookie Rush, Mildred Speck, Therese Vaglio, Darien Wesler, Al Wiese, Roy Wurtz, Elaine Zito.

SPIRITUAL EXCERPT

"Jesus Christ is a 'King who loves' because He loved us humans to the point of shedding His own blood. Because He loves, He has liberated us from sin, because only love is capable of freeing us from sin."

Pope John Paul II, A Moment's Peace, p78.

Question?:

I know someone who was married in the Church for many years and when his marriage broke up was denied an annulment. This person then remarried outside the Church. Can he still attend Mass? Can he receive the sacraments? A: Not only can he attend Mass, he has a moral obligation to do so. That said, he cannot receive Communion or be absolved of sin in confession as long as he chooses to remain in the state of sin. The Catechism of the Catholic Church addresses this issue: "Today there are numerous Catholics in many countries who have recourse to civil divorce and contract new civil unions. In fidelity to the words of Jesus Christ - 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another, commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery'-the Church maintains that a new union cannot be recognized as valid if the first marriage was. If the divorced are remarried civilly, they find themselves in a situation that objectively contravenes God's law. Consequently, they cannot receive Eucharistic communion as long as this situation persists. For the same reason, they cannot exercise certain ecclesial responsibilities. Reconciliation through the sacrament of penance can be granted only to those who have repented for having violated the sign of the covenant and of fidelity to Christ, and who are committed to living in complete continence" (CCC 1650).

TITHING TEACHES

Tithing Teaches ... the happy virtue of gratitude. We tend to think of ourselves as "self-made". We forget that all we have, we have received. Tithing changes the attitude, too, for tithing is an acknowledgment that "it is God that hath made us and not we ourselves." (Psalms 100:3) The person who tithes is saying "thank you" to God for health, food, family, love and life. Tithing teaches that the love of God is the creative factor in every person's life.

In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American. There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag. We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language. And we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people.'

Theodore Roosevelt 1907

OLV SCHOOL ALUMNI /GRADUATES

On the wall inside of the school are all the graduating classes from OLV School, but in 5 cases we only have the list of children and no class picture. We are missing the class pictures from the 8th grade graduating class of **1966**, **1968**, **1972**, **1975** and the last class **1991**. If you have a picture, please contact the rectory. We will only need it to scan and will return your picture ASAP.

Catholic Daughters Brunch

On October 18, 2015 please join us for the 2015 CDA brunch at Madeline's Petit Paris restaurant in Northvale at 11:00AM. Tickets are \$30 and may be purchased from Renee Tringali 201-768-0648 or 201-913-2580. Our guest speaker is Fr. Chris Ciccarino.

Men's Breakfast

OLV's Holy Name Society will be hosting our annual Men's Breakfast on Sunday October 25th at 10:30 AM in the OLV gym. <u>This year, our breakfast speaker will be Fr. Bonaventure Rummell C.F.R.</u> Tickets will be \$15 each or \$25 for father and son or grandfather, father and son. All the men of our parish are invited to attend this delicious catered breakfast and hear inspiring words from Fr. Bonaventure. Tickets are available after Mass or at the rectory. Call the rectory or Marty Coyne at 201-767-8409 for additional information.

RAFFLE WINNERS

50/50 First Prize: Robert Negron of Harrington Park—\$1740.00 50/50 Second Prize: Linda Wayne of River Vale—\$1044.00 50/50 Third Prize: Barral Family of Norwood—\$696.00 1 Week Myrtle Beach Condo: Kelly Ziek of Nutley Congratulations!

A Happy Picnic

Last Sunday nearly 150 people attended our annual Parish Picnic. Throughout the week, Sunday's forecast looked pretty ominous, but the sun shone brightly at OLV. We would like to thank the members of the Picnic Committee, the Knights of Columbus, our Confirmation candidates, the Napolitano family for their produce donation, Mark Goerg for providing the music, the Emerson Fire Department who delivered their grill, D'Ercoles of Northvale for the beautiful fall plants that decorated the tables—and all those who baked or prepared food for the occasion. Beverages were supplied by Wine and Whiskey Barrel and Andy Hogh, ice from Cork and Keg—and meats and rolls were supplied by Westwood Prime Meats. A great time was had by all!

CCD CORNER

Starting next <u>Sunday at the 10:45 Mass</u> we will reinstitute the **Children's Liturgy of the Word**. Right before the readings we will be asking the children to come forth for a special blessing and then, along with a teacher and volunteer aids, they will go down stairs to listen to a more "child friendly" version of the readings and work on an activity that will reflect the scripture readings. At the conclusion of the Creed, the children will once again return to their seats and continue to participate in the Mass. If you have a <u>child from the age of 4-9</u>, please consider having him/her participate in this wonderful way of learning and then applying the readings to their daily living.

Upcoming OLV Parish Events

Oct 12—Mon—Zumba 6:00PM OLV Gym

Oct 12—Mon—Women of Grace 7:30PM

Oct 13 -Tue - Marian Novena Prayer 2:00-3:00PM

Oct 14—Wed—OLV Needlers 6:30PM

Oct 15—Thu—Zumba 7:00PM School Parish Center

Oct 16—Fri– Adoration from 12:30PM-3:00PM

Oct 17- Sat-Confessions 11:00-12:00Noon 3:00/3:25PM

Oct 17- Sat Holy Name Men say Rosary in Englewood

Oct 17—Sat—Anointing Mass at 12 noon

Oct 18—Sun-CDA Brunch at Madeline's-Guest Spkr. Fr. Chris Ciccarino

Oct 25—Sun—Holy Name Breakfast 10:30AM

Nov 21/22-Sat/Sun-CDA Christmas Gift Sale

Dec 13-Sun-Advent Evensong Concert/Prayer Service 3:00pm

Jan 23—Sat—K of C Beef Steak

May 14—Sat- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

May 22—Sun—Confirmation 2PM

May 30—Mon—Fr. Innocent CFR First Mass and Reception at OLV 1PM

WHY CHILDREN'S CHOIR?

It's that time of year again and children's calendars are filling up with a host of activities for the school year. Is it really possible to add one more thing to the list? Children's Choir is ONE of the most wonderful additions to any schedule and does not involve a huge time commitment. We meet for an hour a week (Mondays from 5:15 to 5:45pm) for rehearsal and sing on Sundays at the 10:45am Mass as well as special occasions such as Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday, and other Holy days. But what makes Children's Choir special? First, children are given the opportunity to make new friends, learn positive social and communication skills, learn the benefits of volunteering, build self-confidence, and share their musical talents in an enjoyable environment. Second, the children are actively engaged in the liturgy. not passive participants of the congregation, but full participants in the Mass each week. This encourages a greater understanding and love for the Mass. Finally, I am often asked why a child should join our church choir if they are already in a chorus at school. Children's Choir is the one place children learn not only about music but also about their faith at the same time. Music is the vessel with which they learn about God's many mysteries and lessons and this you will not find anywhere else. What a great way to enhance a child's love for the Lord while making memories that will last a lifetime! All rehearsals will be Monday afternoons at 5:15. Members are encouraged to bring someone new to rehearsal. The more the merrier, as they say! Please see Lesa Rossmann or Selena Piazza.

BENEFIT CONCERT

Sunday, October 18, at 5PM at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Harrington Park. Northern Valley Chamber Players perform selections from Debussy, Mendelssohn, Bizet. Presented by Arts Council of Harrington Park. Free admission (contributions welcomed).

SICK OR "HOMEBOUND"

If you are sick or "homebound" (or know someone who is), and would like to have Communion, please contact the Rectory at 201-768-1706.

Women's Dance Class—ZUMBA

Women's Zumba exercise classes are held on Mondays 6:00PM in the gym and Thursdays 7:00PM in the Parish Center

AND THEN IT IS WINTER

You know ... time has a way of moving guickly and catching you unaware of the passing years. It seems just vesterday that I was young. just married and embarking on my new life with my mate. Yet in a way, it seems like eons ago, and I wonder where all the years went. I know that I lived them all. I have glimpses of how it was back then and of all my hopes and dreams. But, here it is...the back nine of my life and it catches me by surprise...How did I get here so fast? Where did the years go and where did my youth go? I remember well seeing older people through the years and thinking that those older people were years away from me and that I was only on the first hole and the back nine was so far off that I could not fathom it or imagine fully what it would be like. But, here it is... my friends are retired and getting gray...they move slower and I see an older person now. Some are in better and some worse shape than me...but, I see the great change...Not like the ones that I remember who were young and vibrant...but, like me, their age is beginning to show and we are now those older folks that we used to see and never thought we'd become.

Each day now. I find that just getting a shower is a real target for the day! And taking a nap is not a treat anymore... it's mandatory! Cause if I don't on my own free will... I just fall asleep where I sit! And so...now I enter into this new season of my life unprepared for all the aches and pains and the loss of strength and ability to go and do things that I wish I had done but never did!! But, at least I know, that though I'm on the back nine, and I'm not sure how long it will last...this I know, that when it's over on this earth...it's over. A new adventure will begin! Yes, I have regrets. There are things I wish I hadn't done...things I should have done, but indeed, there are many things I'm happy to have done. It's all in a lifetime. So, if you're not on the back nine yet...let me remind you, that it will be here faster than you think. So, whatever you would like to accomplish in your life please do it quickly! Don't put things off too long!! Life goes by quickly. So, do what you can today, as you can never be sure whether you're on the back nine or not! You have no promise that you will see all the seasons of your life...so, live for today and say all the things that you want your loved ones to remember...and hope that they appreciate and love you for all the things that you have done for them in all the years past!! "Life" is a gift to you. The way you live your life is your gift to those who come after. Make it a fantastic one. LIVE IT WELL! ENJOY TODAY! DO SOMETHING FUN! BE HAPPY! HAVE A GREAT DAY Remember "It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver". LIVE HAPPY IN 2015!

LASTLY, CONSIDER THIS:

~Your kids are becoming you.....but your grandchildren are perfect! ~Going out is good.. Coming home is better! ~You forget names.... But it's OK because some people forgot they even knew you!!! ~You realize you're never going to be really good at anything like golf. ~The things you used to care to do, you aren't as interested in anymore, but you really do care that you aren't as interested. ~You sleep better on a lounge chair with the TV 'ON' than in bed. It's called "pre-sleep". ~You miss the days when everything worked with just an "ON" and "OFF" switch.. ~You tend to use more 4 letter words ... "what?"..."when?"... ??? ~You notice everything they sell in stores is "sleeveless"?!!! ~What used to be freckles are now liver spots. ~Everybody whispers. ~You have 3 sizes of clothes in your closet.... 2 of which you will never wear. ~But Old is good in some things: Old Songs, Old movies, and best of all, OLD FRIENDS!! It's Not What You Gather, But What You Scatter That Tells What Kind Of Life You Have Lived. TODAY IS THE OLDEST YOU'VE EVER BEEN; YET THE YOUNGEST YOU'LL EVER BE, SO ENJOY THIS DAY WHILE IT LASTS. It is a Privilege Denied to Many.

ANOINTING MASS AT OLV

Next Saturday, October 17, at 12 Noon, our parish will have a Mass for the Sick which will include The Anointing of the Sick during Mass. Afterward there will be a light lunch. All elderly and sick are invited – please contact the rectory 201-768-1706 so we can plan properly.

40 Days for Life

September 23—November 1, 2015—Please consider giving one hour a week this Fall to stand in a peaceful vigil across from Women's Choice Abortion Clinic, 10 Zabriskie St., Hackensack between the hours of 7AM and 7PM. For more info contact Linda Maliani 551-265-8121 or lindamaliani@yahoo.com. Every victory that has been achieved through 40 Days for Life... from lives saved..to abortion centers shut down... to abortion workers experiencing conversions, all began with ONE PERSON who answered God's call to "speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves."

Jesus asked one thing from us!!!

On His last night of earth (Holy Thursday) Jesus asked His disciples one thing – to stay awake with Him for one hour. Every Thursday evening we at OLV try to fulfill this request by having a Holy Hour from 7-8PM. Join us in carrying out Jesus' request.

OLV K of C Council #14483

All men over the age of 18 are cordially invited to join the OLV Knights of Columbus Council. The Knights are the largest Catholic Fraternal Organization in the world. For info call Rich at 201-767-6689.

CONVALIDATION

Were you married civilly by a mayor or justice of the peace and would now like to be married in the Catholic Church? See Fr Bryan for more details and to see if your marriage can be regularized with the Church.

WILL

An elderly woman decided to prepare her will and told her preacher she had two final requests. First, she wanted to be cremated, and second, she wanted her ashes scattered over Wal-Mart 'Wal-Mart?' the preacher exclaimed. 'Why Wal-Mart?' 'Then I'll be sure my daughters visit me twice a week'

PRIEST VS PILOT

Saint Peter addresses this cool guy, "Who are you, so that I may know whether or not to admit you to the Kingdom of Heaven?" The guy replies, "I'm Jack, retired airline pilot from Houston." Saint Peter consults his list. He smiles and says to the pilot, "Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom." The pilot goes into Heaven with his robe and staff. Next, it's the priest's turn. He stands erect and booms out, "I am Father Bob, pastor of Saint Mary's for the last 43 years." Saint Peter consults his list. He says to the priest, "Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom." "Just a minute," says the good father. "That man was a pilot and he gets a silken robe and golden staff and I get only cotton and wood. How can this be?" "Up here - we go by results," says Saint Peter. "When you preached people slept. When he flew, people prayed."

My memory's not as sharp as it used to be. Also, my memory's not as sharp as it used to be.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 12-St. Wilfrid of England-Bishop of York

8:00 Gloria Galati R/b Bill and Felicia Klingenberg
12:00 In Thanksgiving R/b the Coyne Family

Tuesday, Oct. 13-St. Gerald of Aurillac, France-Count of Auvergne 8:00 Thomas F. Lagatol II R/b the Lagatol Family

12:00 Special Intentions R/b the Coyne Family

Wednesday, October 14 -St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

8:00 Kevin Naughton R/b the Barrett Family 12:00 John Zanetti R/b the Scheuring Family

Thursday, October 15-St. Teresa of Avila, Spain - Nun

8:00 Annie Tan R/b Family 12:00 Jack McGuire R/b the Barrett Family

Friday, Oct. 16-St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

8:00 Louis Bertoglio R/b Bruce Michael Ricciardi 12:00 In thanksgiving to St. Gerard R/b Esty Parlanti

Saturday, October 17–St. Ignatius of Antioch, Syria-bishop

8:00 Intentions of Steve and Jane Gedeon—Wedding Anniversary

R/b Steve and Robin Hartman 12:00 In thanksgiving to St. Gerard R/b Esty Parlanti

4:00 Flora Albanese R/b Robert and Denise Wagner 5:00 Oscar Pfeiffer R/b Elizabeth Pfeiffer

Sunday, October 18-St. Luke of Antioch, Syria-Evangelist

7:30 Intentions of Andy Hogh R/b OLV Knights of Columbus 8:15 Intentions of Luke Spiegel R/b the Bolton Family

9:30 People of the Parish

10:45 Frank Bonanno R/b the Buonomo Family
12:00 Joaquin Bonzon R/b Esty Parlanti
6:00 Leonor Fernandez R/b Kevin and Susan Olsen
7:00 Charles DaSaro R/b the Feeney Family

Sanctuary Memorials

The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for the unemployed.

<u>The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp</u> burns this week for the repose of the soul of Mary Muggeo, r/b Bob and Sue Muggeo.

<u>The St. Joseph Votive Lamp</u> burns this week for a Special Intention.

<u>The St. John Paul II Votive Lamp</u> burns this week for the repose of the soul of Fr. Robert Pachana.

ARE YOU NEW TO THE AREA?

If you are, why not join our ever-growing Parish family. Stop by the Rectory any weekday and meet Maria and register to become a member of the OLV Family. Census forms are also located in the Church vestibule.

ADORATION

Just a reminder we have Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday s from 12noon—3PM, Thursday night from 7PM –8pm, and Fridays from 12noon – 3PM.

So stop by and adore Our Eucharistic Lord.

STEWARDSHIP

MY FAMILY - MY PARISH - MY RESPONSIBILITY

If you are away for the weekend or are on vacation, please mail Your Weekly Offering to the Rectory. **Our expenses continue even in your absence**.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1.Capernaum 2.Abram 3. An Angel 4. Esau & Jacob 5. Coat of Many Colors

MEXICAN EXORCISM

For what is believed to be the first time ever in Mexico, an exorcism has been performed to chase demons from the entire nation.

But several pastors who are versed on the biblical warnings about the devil and his minions say the territory into which leaders of the Catholic Church recently ventured is unstable. According to a number of reports, the nationwide exorcism against demons blamed for crime and violence in Mexico was performed by Cardinal Juan Sandoval Íñiquez and other clergy. including a Spanish exorcist and demonologist, behind the closed doors of the cathedral of San Luis Potosí. Archbishop Jesús Carlos Cabrero explained the ritual as a "blessing for the people." But exorcist Fr. José Antonio Fortea said the purpose of the rite, known as the "Exorcismo Magno," was to combat demons who "tempt" people as "sin increases more and more in a country."He described the effort as the "first ever carried out in Mexico ... to exorcise the powers of darkness, not from a person, but from the whole country." Pastor Karl Payne of Antioch Bible Church, who served as chaplain for the Seattle Seahawks football team for 21 years until just recently and is the author of "Spiritual Warfare: Christians, Demonization, and Deliverance," urges caution in matters of demonology and exorcism. Payne said, "There is much about demons and deliverance that I do not understand." And says he has never met "anyone who owns the block or even the corner on this subject." He told WND: "I have never heard of a country-wide exorcism. I do believe that Daniel 10:10-13 indicates that countries can have demonic hosts assigned to undermine the work of God and the people of God doing that work. But I do not see any New Testament teaching on exorcisms being attempted on countries rather than people. This may reflect my lack of understanding on the subject, or someone else's attempt to extrapolate beyond Scripture." Payne believes the ritual will have to be judged by its results. "If there is city-wide revival and crime goes crashing down after these prayers, maybe others will look up and say, 'What in the world is going on there?' If things continue as normal, or get progressively worse, then these religious leaders have set themselves up for ridicule." Payne states demons and demonic activity are real problems. "Sin is an invitation for demonic activity and it makes sense that the more blatant the sin, the more demonstrative the demonic presence," he said.

And according to his understanding, "until the people who have actually been demonized are the people who are seeking freedom from demonic bondage, it is a waste of time commanding demons to leave a person or place if they are actually there by virtue of habitual sin, ancestral sin, invitation or apathy." Catholic clergy have been highly critical of a rise in occult practices in Mexico, particularly the cult of Santa Muerte (Saint Death). which has been growing in recent years. Pope Francis had also blamed satanic forces for violence in Mexico in March, stating, "I think the devil is punishing Mexico with great fury" during an interview with Mexican television. Pastor, talk-radio host and author of "Final Warning: Understanding the Trumpet Days of Revelation" Carl Gallups said, "I am not one that looks for a demon under every rock, nor do I blame a demon for every evil deed. sickness, or devastation that occurs in the world." However, Gallups said, "We would be remiss to discount the absolute biblical fact of demonic activity and demonic intervention in human affairs, which obviously abounds worldwide - not just in Mexico." Gallups had a mixed reaction to the church's actions, commenting: "I admire the spiritual boldness of the Catholic church in this matter. However, it would have probably been best to leave the affair unannounced in the media. To broadcast the event certainly opens up all manner of ridicule, speculation, and castigation. Additionally, I have questions of just 'how' the 'exorcism' was conducted. I have been made intimately privy over the many years of my ministry to so-called 'exorcism' services that, to me, resembled nothing more than a 'Christianized' witchcraft ritual. I am not claiming that this is what the Catholic church officials conducted, but people will wonder and the speculations

will follow." Gallups recognizes many people laugh at the mere mention of supernatural forces. "I know that some people will have a difficult time with the all this talk about demons," he said. "But the truth is that the Bible is clear on the topic; there is a demonic, evil, and incredibly dark spiritual side to the experience of human existence. We most often see the results of demonic activity played out on the stage of human affairs, but never doubt, the impetus is often initiated in the realm of demonic influence." Payne also believes that Daniel 10:10-13 allows for the possibility that territorial demons are real.

"I think the fact that major media outlets are covering this story is an implicit acknowledgement that sin is real, it is creating very real problems for real people in real towns, cities and countries, and neither empiricism, rationalism, economic redistribution, sociological experimentation nor political theory seem to be capable of resolving all of these issues. Maybe it is time to look up rather than in, or to God rather than government. It is also an indication that in spite of media and academic driven cynicism and skepticism toward religion in general and Christianity specifically, there are still more theists in the world than atheists, and there are questions, answers and problems that need to be explored further to be resolved.

"Romans 1 is clear that God has manifested Himself to everyone through the things He has made. This partially explains why atheism and naturalism must be taught, even though many of their suppositions are counter-intuitive. The bottom line is that sometimes we need help that goes beyond our own resources. Since man's solutions to solving the sin problem are not working well, maybe it is time to look back to the teachings of Jesus Christ, and not be too proud to ask our Creator for help." Gallups believes there is both increasing media and popular interest in the occult, referring to the recent "Charlie Charlie" social networking craze in which participants try to summon a demon. Gallups, who believes the end times may be coming soon, notes, "The Word of God cautions us that as we enter into the 'last days generation' we will see an increase in worldwide demonic activity."

"Some might say that this kind of evil and demonic influence has always been among us – since the fall of mankind. I understand that argument, but the difference is that we are now the first generation in the history of the planet to see worldwide instantaneous communication and information systems that intimately connect us to each other. This technology can be used for the dissemination of 'good' and even the gospel of Jesus Christ. But, it can also be used (and it is) for the worldwide acceptance of and the ubiquitous spread of abject evil. We live in times like no other." Read more at http://mobile.wnd.com/2015/06/nationwide-exorcism-prompts-warnings/#eYA8mj7Cf0j1prEu.99.

MOISHE

Moishe Goldberg was heading out of the Synagogue one day, and as always Rabbi Mendel was standing at the door, shaking hands as the Congregation departed. The rabbi grabbed Moishe by the hand, pulled him aside and whispered these words at him: "You need to join the Army of God!" Moishe replied: "I'm already in the Army of God, Rabbi." The rabbi questioned: "Then how come I don't see you except for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur?" Moishe whispered back: "I'm in the Secret Service."

KIDZ KORNER

- 1. In what city did Jesus base His ministry?
- 2. What was Abraham's name before it had been changed?
- 3. Who called Abraham and stopped him from sacrificing his son Isaac?
- 4. What were Isaac's two sons' names?
- 5. What present did Jacob make for Joseph that caused his brothers to hate him?

Answers on page four.

COVER SHEET

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