

# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 26, 2012

### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday—August 27**

**St. Monica**

8:30AM—R.G. Peter—Memorial

**Tuesday—August 28**

**St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

7:30AM—*Pro Populo*

**Wednesday—August 29**

**The Passion of St. John the Baptist**

7:30AM—Edward F. Saunders, Jr.—Memorial

**Thursday—August 30**

**Weekday**

7:30AM—Thomas Brescia—Memorial

**Friday—August 31**

**Weekday**

7:30AM—Frederick Grace—Memorial

**Saturday—September 1**

**Weekday/BVM**

8:30AM—Special Intention

**Vigil of the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00PM—Thomas Shannon—Memorial

**Sunday—September 2**

**The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM—Edward V., Sr & Bernard A. Healey—26th Anniv.

9:00AM—Armando & Katherine DeAngelis—Memorial

10:30AM—Hans G. & Hans F. Loeffler—Memorial

Mass intentions are published so the entire parish family can pray the Mass intention of the Priest, for the living or the dead. Even if you cannot attend the Mass this day, please join in our parish intention during your own personal prayer time. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to schedule an announced intention at Mass as listed here. At every Mass, we should bring at least one personal intention to offer in prayer.



### Mercy Musings

Dear Parishioners:

In your name, I welcome Father Eric Bennett to Our Lady of Mercy this weekend. Father joins us

at the 5:00PM Vigil to offer a Mass of Thanksgiving with his home parish. A newly ordained priest of the Archdiocese of Boston, Father Bennett's priestly vocation was nourished and guided by his parents, family and the parish of OLM over the years and so he returns to give thanks to God for the great gift of the priesthood. What a great occasion for our parish family to celebrate and give thanks to God! Welcome Father Bennett, *ad multos annos!*

Last Sunday I attended the Feast Day Mass at St. Rocco Parish in Johnston at which my good friend, Father Angelo Carusi, was installed by Bishop Evans as the new Pastor. After over a hundred years of pastoral leadership by the Scalabrinian Fathers, Father Carusi is the first Diocesan Priest to serve as Pastor at St. Rocco. Sunday was the culmination of the Feast Week complete with a Procession with the statue of St. Rocco around the village of Thornton. There were carnival rides, tents with lots of delicious Italian delicacies like tripe, sausage and peppers, meatballs, pasta, egg plant gelato, and some great dough boys. It was a true festival of faith and parish family. We too have a parish feast coming up on September 24th, the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy. In honor of our Patroness we will have our own mini-festival on Sunday, September 23rd with a Family Picnic. Make sure you mark your calendar and come to this great event for our parish family!

Wednesday is the first day of school! It's hard to believe but this week we welcome back our students and faculty to OLM School! Where did the summer go? We begin the week with a Mass and luncheon for our teachers and staff on Monday and then look forward to seeing the school children return to school midweek. I'm sure some of our students are also wondering where summer went but without a doubt they are soon enough going to get into the swing of things. We welcome back all of our OLM students, teachers and staff and pledge to keep them in our prayers for a great year of learning and growing in wisdom, faith and love. May God bless, guide and protect them throughout the year!

The renovations of the Rectory living quarters continue but Father Shemek and I hope to very soon unpack our boxes completely and move into our rooms. A new phone system has been installed in the Rectory which makes communication with the office staff and your parish priests much easier and more efficient. The parish webpage launches this week too! Have a great week. Welcome back to the school year! God Bless. Forget the Sox, Go Pats!

*Father Healey*



## Weekly Collection

**Week of August 19, 2012**

Weekly.....\$10,715.11

Peter's Pence.....\$3,219.00

*If you have been away on vacation or visiting another parish, we kindly ask you to please make up your missed budget envelopes. We depend solely upon your weekly support to meet our weekly parish expenses.*

***Thank you for your generosity!***

## Second Collections

**Next Week: Buildings & Grounds Collection**

**Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will or estate.**

### **Golf Tournament to Benefit the Bishop McVinney School Newport National Golf Club Wednesday, September 26th at Noon**

Join us in supporting one of the last remaining Providence Catholic inner-city schools. Bishop McVinney (formerly St. Michael's School) is located in South Providence. The school offers a quality Catholic education as well as a place of hope and

peace for students from a low-income neighborhood.



OLM Parishioners Sheila Broderick, Kevin McDevitt and Joan Ohnmacht volunteer and serve on the School Board. Over 90% of the students at Bishop McVinney School re-

ceive financial aid through the Diocese. However, many students still struggle to afford such a quality Catholic education, if you would like to help support this great event by playing golf or by simply donating please contact, Sheila Broderick at sheilabroderick@verizon.net, Kevin McDevitt at 278-2702 or Joan Ohnmacht at 265-6800.

***Thanks for your support, see you on the course!!***



## *A Loss in Our Church Family*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of OLM Parishioners, **Henry Dymsza** and **Nancy L. Gray** who died last week and for their grieving families.

***"Let us not abandon them until by our prayers we have conducted them into the House of the Lord." —St. Ambrose***



All RE Students in Grades 1-9 should now be registered for classes. All Grade 9 students (public, parochial, & private) need to register as soon as possible. Please contact Mrs. St. Jean at 884-1061 or Sister Rose at 884-2578 ASAP.

***Thanks for your cooperation.***

## Outreach Update

The Food Pantry needs the following items: maple syrup, shampoo, deodorant, & soap for both men & women. We also always need \$10 gift cards to Stop & Shop. ***Thanks for your support and generosity.***



### **Banns of Marriage**

III-Micah Norton & Whitney Hassett

II-Luke DiNezza & Kristen Sammartino

*Join us for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual*  
*Our Lady of Mercy*  
**FAMILY PARISH PICNIC**

*On the Grounds of Our Lady of Mercy*  
**Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> Noon-5:00p.m.**

*Join Father Healey and Father Shemek  
as we get to know our parish family!*

Planning for the picnic is now underway! The following committees have been formed and *your help is still needed!* Please volunteer to help by contacting one of the following committees:

**Logistics:**

Volunteers needed for set-up and clean-up.  
Contact Chair—Dan Sullivan at 286-3943 or via  
email at dsdogbones@aol.com

**Welcoming:**

Volunteers needed for decorating & picnic promotion.

Contact Chair—Grace Murphy at 884-0458

**Baked Goods:**

Need volunteers to bake and bring homemade goodies!

Contact Chair—Jeannine Colasanto at  
885-3436 or via email at jcolasanto@cox.net

**Games:**

Looking for groups, families, or individuals to help run traditional picnic games.

Contact Chair—June Fischer at 398-8062 or via  
email at cfojune@gmail.com

**Classic Car & Motorcycle Display:**

Reserve a parking spot for your classic vehicle.

Contact Rod Fischer vehicle at 398-8062 or via  
email at cfojune@gmail.com

**Music/Entertainment:**

Looking for a DJ, someone with an outdoor music system or part of a musical group.

**Photography:**

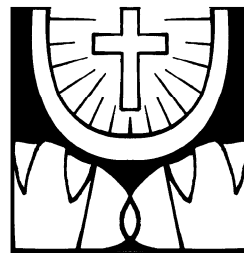
Looking for photography buff to help capture the day's fun for the parish website.

If you can help with music or photography,  
contact Fr. Shemek at 884-4968 or at frshemek@gmail.com

Committees are meeting over the next few weeks informally but we still need your help. *Join us for a general planning meeting on Sunday, August 26th at Noon in the Rectory Meeting Room.*

**Save the date!!**

**21st Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time, Year B**



**T**oday we finish our Gospel reading from John 6, the narrative of the multiplication of loaves and Jesus' discourse on the bread of life.

As we have discovered, John's Gospel is more about the significance of certain events in Jesus' life than it is about the events themselves.

At the end of chapter 20, John states his purpose, "these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name."

Next week we return to the more strictly narrative Mark.



*The words that I have spoken to you  
are spirit and life.*

**Jn 6:63**

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