

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass.....5:00 PM Sunday Masses.....7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM September—May.....5:00 PM

Daily

Monday - Friday	7:30 AM
Saturdays & Legal Holidays	.8:30 AM

Holy Day

Vigil Mass	5:00 PM
Holyday Masses7:	30 AM & 7:00 PM

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 👁 July 12, 2015

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Mondays at 6:00 PM or by appointment. Saturdays at 4:00 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second Sunday of the month. Preparation Class is required. Please contact one of the parish priests prior to birth of your child.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact one of the parish priests one year prior to the proposed date of your wedding.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please contact one of the parish priests if you are shut-in, sick, homebound or hospitalized.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Please contact one of the parish priests or the Office of the Director of Vocations at 331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday......8:00 am - 4:00 pm

The Very Reverend Bernard A. Healey, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor

The Reverend Ryan W. Connors, S.T.L., Associate Pastor

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The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 12, 2015

SATURDAY, JULY 11

The Mass of the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Armando, Katherine, Giuseppa, & James DeAngelis—Memorial **SUNDAY, July 12** The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy 9:00 AM Stanley Berek—Birthday Remembrance 10:30AM Shirley Uhrin—1st Anniversary

MONDAY, JULY 13

Weekday/St. Henry 7:30 AM Derek Parenteau—Birthday Remembrance

TUESDAY, JULY 14

St. Kateri Tekawitha, Virgin 7:30 AM Lillian & Edward Healey—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 7:30AM Don Bosco Rhee—Memorial

THURSDAY, JULY 16

Weekday/Our Lady of Mount Carmel 7:30AM Eda Pascarella—1st Anniversary

FRIDAY, JULY 17

Weekday

7:30AM Frederick Grace—Memorial

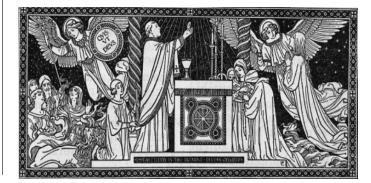
SATURDAY, JULY 18

Weekday/St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest; BVM 8:30AM Peter Pundys—60th Anniversary

The Mass of Anticipation for 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Robert A. Belanger—1st Anniversary

SUNDAY, JULY 19

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time7:30 AMThe Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy9:00 AMJohn P. O'Connor—Memorial10:30AMRobert Dumouchel—4th Anniversary



Mercy Musings

Dear Parishioners:

I hope you had a Happy Independence Day last weekend. The Fourth of July is always a great holiday to celebrate with family and friends. Fireworks, hot dogs, hamburgers and apple pie are the American standard for the holiday.

But, it is also a day to reflect upon what it means for us to be a citizen of the United States. Sometimes we take our citizenship for granted and forget the freedoms we enjoy. Not every nation allows such liberty as we do here in the US. Not every nation has the bounty and blessings we enjoy in the US.

As you know Father Shemek, our former Associate Pastor OLM, became а at U.S. citizen last month. He is a native of Poland but came to our country to serve the Church as a priest. When called to congratulate him and told him that to become a US citizen was a great event in his life, I also reminded him that it meant he had to vote and pay taxes now!

There was a great story last week in the Rhode Island Catholic about Father Shemek entitled "Following God's Call to America's Shores." Father has been living and working as a priest in the US on a religious worker visa. With help from the Diocesan Office of Immigration and Refugee Services, Father Shemek was able to obtain his citizenship after taking an exam.

On upon becoming a US citizen in June Father Shemek said: "When you come to live here | we thank You, O Lord. For Your

you become a friend of the United States. But after citizenship, it becomes a family." Welcome to the family Father Shemek!

We continue to give thanks to God for our nation. Perhaps we might offer this prayer I recently came across. Let us pray:

Lord, in your Infinite Wisdom, you have inspired men and women to forge this great nation. If ever a state was founded upon the principles of the Bible, it is truly the United States. No other nation has given it's people the power – and the privilege – to effect and influence the lives of so many. Please help us to be aware of the gift and the responsibilities that this power grants us all. We beseech You to stretch Your hand over those serving our nation, our soldiers and our leaders. Fill them with Your Presence that they may see what is Right.

O Jesus, You gathered men and women to do Your work for the time when You returned to the Father in Heaven. Grant us the wisdom and the courage to be Your disciples, the strength to work Your will in exercising our civic duties.

Blessed Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Patron of this nation, please fill our hearts with love and reverence. Please intercede for us, that we may be enkindled by the Holy Spirit with the grace to know what is right and the conviction to ensure that God's will be done.

For Your Many Blessings,

Glory, not ours, let us go forth. We ask these things through the Lord Jesus Christ and our Lady of Immaculate the Conception. Amen.

During the weekend of July 25 and 26 the Mission Co-op will be held at OLM. This is our annual commitment to spiritually and financially help the good works of the missions of our Church. Each year every parish across the state takes a weekend dedicates it to the and missionaries. These missionaries preach all the weekend masses and the second collection goes to support their good work.

This year we welcome the Missionhurst Missionaries to OLM. On the weekend of July 25/26, Father Roy Shea, CICM who works in the missions of Brazil joins us at OLM. He is to preach all the weekend Masses about the good works of Missionhurst. There is more about this in the bulletin this week.

The entire second collection that weekend is taken up in support of the Missionhurst Missions. There is no envelope so please be prepared for the collection. We also commit to praying for the missions and the missionaries that they may continue to spread the good news of the Gospel to the four corners of the earth. May God bless them and their good works. Have a great week! Enjoy the summer! God Bless.

Father Healey



Dear Eric:

What is the difference between a diocesan priest and a priest of a religious order?

When a man is considering a vocation to the priesthood he has to discern two possibilities: religious or diocesan. Diocesan priesthood is when a priest belongs to a particular diocese. His direct superior is the Bishop of the diocese and, except in special circumstances, he will spend his entire priesthood in service exclusive to the needs of that diocese. The diocese a priest serves is, in most cases, his home diocese as familiarity to the diocese will greatly aid a priest in his service.

A priest belonging to a religious order is something different. He belongs to his order (for example: Dominican, Benedictine, Franciscan, Jesuit, and many more) and receives his assignments from the superior of that order. A religious order priest is usually distinguishable by the habit he wears which is symbolic of his order. Also each order usually has something in which they specialize (e.g. the Dominicans specialize in the art of preaching). Usually religious order priests travel the country and even the world as they are called to service on a much larger basis.

Father Healey and Father Connors are both diocesan priests. They both grew up here in Rhode Island and serve here as priests of the Diocese of Providence which is under the guidance of Bishop Tobin. As a diocesan seminarian the same applies to me. I was born and raised in Rhode Island and, no matter where my studies may take me, when I am ordained (God-willing) I will serve the same diocese.

This naturally begs another question: How does a man discerning priesthood know which to choose? In a past bulletin, I talked about the discernment process. It is largely a process done though prayer, self-knowledge, and guidance. While both diocesan and religious are similar they also have their differences. A lot of knowing which to choose has to do with the individual gifts and talents of the candidate. For example, a good candidate for religious life would be one who wouldn't mind living in community and a contemplative life of prayer, while a good candidate for diocesan priesthood would be someone who wouldn't mind living alone and having more structured prayer.

OLM Summer Seminarian Eric Silva is filling in for Fr. Connors for the next ten weeks. If you have a question about the Catholic Church, Catholic Teaching, or the life of a seminarian, please email all questions to parish@olmparish.org

Weekly Collection

July 4, 2015

Weekly	\$9,030.00
EFT	\$1,412.50
	Total=\$10,442.50
Building & Grounds	\$2,454.00
Outreach	\$1,244.50
If you have been away on vacation	on or visiting another
parish, we kindly ask you to please	make up your missed
budget envelopes. We depend sole	ely upon your weekly
support to meet our weekly parish e	expenses.

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

Thank you for your generosity!

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St. Pius V, Providence

Gabrielle Mounsey St. Patrick, Yorktown Heights, NY



This week the Altar Flowers at the Marian Shrine have been donated in loving memory of Silvio Cardillo.



Please register for RE Classes today. Registration forms available online or at the Parish Office. Late fees now apply.

Hope to see you at Mass this summer!!



Please Don't Forget the Hungry **During the Summer!**

THE OLM FOOD PANTRY is URGENTLY in need of donated food items. Our food supply is low at this time of year but the demand is increasing. Please place all donated non-perishable food items in the box located in the Church vestibule.

Thank you for your support!

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS Your Parish Needs You!



We are looking for a few High School students to serve as Weekend Sacristans at OLM. Training and small stipend provided. If you are

interested or would like to learn more about it, contact Fr. Connors at 884-4968 or via email at associatepastor@olmparish.org



Legion of Mary

Join us for the Legion of Mary! We meet every Tuesday at 7:00PM in the Church Cry Room.

Junior Legion of Mary

Every other Saturday morning immediately following the 8:30am Mass, children of all ages

are invited to join the Junior Legion of Mary. The group meets in the cry room of the Church to pray the rosary, hear a brief spiritual talk by Fr. Connors followed by a visit to a local nursing home to visit with residents. In an enjoyable setting, children learn to join faith and works of mercy. For more Information, contact Angela Toljan at atoljan@msn.com



The Knights of Columbus, Council 58, is a fraternal order of men, who perform charitable missionary work in support of Our Lady of Mercy Church. If you are interested in the Knights of Columbus. please contact Tom Mahoney via email at:tom@tommymahoney.com. The Knights of Columbus is actively engaged in the pro-life movement and in support various activities of Our Lady of Mercy Parish.

Mission Co-op July 25/26, 2015 Second Collection for **Missionhurst Missionaries**

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Please join us in welcoming SECOND COLLECTION Missionhurst Missionary Father Roy

Shea, CICM (Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary), who is visiting Our Lady of Mercy the weekend of July 25-26, 2015 to present the Annual Mission Co-op Appeal. Fr. Shea is from the foreign mission Province of Brazil and is to share his experience of missionary work and priesthood in the

missions. Missionhurst was founded in 1862 for the conversion of China. Today, Missionhurst serves in some of the most remote locations of Mongolia, Indonesia, Africa, Asia and Latin America. Unlike some relief agencies that arrive only when there is a news-making crisis, Missionhurst missionaries come prepared to stay, living among the people, sharing in their poverty and serving their material and spiritual needs. Missionhurst missionaries help meet the needs of the people they serve with farming projects, building new churches and schools, and helping obtain clean water. Fr. Shea, a native of Prince Edward Island, Canada, is one of 18 children. He professed his first vows in 1966 as a lay brother and ordained a priest in 1986. We thank you for your generous support!

Wedding Anniversary Celebration



The Diocese of Providence kindly invites you and your spouse to celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th Wedding or over Anniversarv on Sunday, September 20, 2015 at 1:00PM at the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul.

Providence. Celebration includes Holy Mass, renewal of vows, personalized certificate, and reception with you and your guests. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of Providence, is to be the Principal Celebrant and Homilist at the Mass. To register or for more information contact the Parish Office at 884-4968 or via email at parish@olmparish.org



Bible Study: The Letters of St Paul



Monday, July 20, 2015 7:00PM OLM School Library

Want to learn more about the Sacred

Scriptures? Interested in Saint Paul? Then join our Summer Seminarian Eric Silva for a Bible Study on the Letters of St. Paul. Please bring your own bible. Refreshments will be provided. For more information call the Parish Office at 884-4968 or via email at parish@olmparish.org



We have partnered with Parish Giving to offer this program to all of our parishioners. It's simple, just log on to the Our Lady of Mercy website (www.olmparish.org) and on click the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions. It's secure: Parish Giving is Payment Card Industry compliant and uses the strongest Secure Sockets Layering encryption technology available. It's Convenient: No more searching for the checkbook or Sunday morning stops at the ATM machine. You can pick the day of the month for the recurring contributions to be processed. Tax benefits: You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year. • **Parish benefits:** Stable monthly contributions and significant reduction of parish administrative costs. To get started log on to: http://www.olmparish.org and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps.

ENSURE YOUR WEEKLY SUPPORT OF OLM PARISH WHILE AWAY ON VACATION or AT THE SUMMER HOME!







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