

#### † MASS SCHEDULE †

#### Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass	5:00 PM
Sunday Masses7:30, 9:00	% 10:30 AM
September—June	5:00 PM

#### Daily

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

#### **Holy Day**

Vigil Mass		5:00	PM
Holyday Masses	.7:30 AM 8	7:00	PM

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#### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time № July 6, 2014

#### **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 Reverend Bernard A. Healey, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor

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#### **SATURDAY, JULY 5**

The Mass of Anticipation for 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time 5:00 PM Jane Watson—Memorial

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 6**

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Thomas Brescia—2nd Anniversary

9:00 AM Katherine, Armando, Giuseppa, & Jimmy DeAngelis—

Memorial

10:30AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

#### **MONDAY, JULY 7**

Weekday

7:30 AM Special Intention

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 8**

Weekday

7:30 AM Mary Winsper—16th Anniversary & James Winsper—31st Anniversary

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

Weekday/St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest

& Companions, Martyrs

7:30AM Josephine DiStefano—Memorial

#### THURSDAY, JULY 10

Weekday

7:30AM Jennie Collins—Birthday Remembrance

#### FRIDAY, JULY 11

St. Benedict, Abbot

7:30AM Deborah O'Connell—Memorial

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 12**

Weekday/SBVM

8:30AM Don Bosco Rhee—Memorial

Mass of Anticipation for 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Julia Zalys—Memorial

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 13**

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Stanley Berek—Birthday Remembrance 9:00 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

10:30AM Derek Parenteau—Birthday Remembrance



## Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

It's hard to believe but its already Fourth of July weekend. The summer is in full swing as we once again celebrate our nation's founding. We not only celebrate having overthrown the shackles of British colonial oppression but we also celebrate our freedoms and liberties.

Pope *emeritus* Benedict once called religious liberty "the most cherished of America's freedom." However, even in our own nation religious liberty is under threat as the culture becomes more secular. Those who hold to deep religious convictions are frequently criticized but also forced even by the government to violate their conscience.

We do not face the violent persecution that our fellow Christians face in other nations. In countries like Syria, Iraq, China, Egypt and Nigeria, Christians often face not only government oppression but violent attacks and murderous persecution.

Pope Francis recently commented on the increased persecution of Christians across the globe. He stated: "Nowadays, persecution of Christians is stronger than it was in the first centuries of the Church, and there are more Christian martyrs than in that time. This is happening 1700 years after the edict of Constantine, which granted Christians the freedom to publicly profess their faith."

celebrate As we our independence this weekend, we

especially our liberty to come to Mass and worship as Catholics, for granted. We also pray for our brothers and sisters who follow Christ and are persecuted, oppressed and even put to death because of it. May freedom of religion soon ring for all people!

Last Sunday we marked our last Sunday 5:00PM Mass until September. This was the first year we had the 5:00PM Mass on Sunday evenings and it seemed to work pretty well. There was a dramatic decrease in attendance during the month of June, so we may consider ending it in May next year.

In any case, if you are looking for a Sunday evening Mass in July and August, there are a few so-called "Last Call" Masses down at the beach parishes and a 5:00PM at Saints Rose and Clement in Warwick. if you are travelling this summer, go to masstimes.org to find a Mass near your vacation destination!

You may have noticed in the bulletin the results of the Catholic Charity Appeal here at Our Lady of Mercy. I want to offer my thanks to the many parishioners who generously supported the Appeal. We more than surpassed our parish goal of \$193,000. As of June 29th our total was \$242,470.50! We came close to our parish participation goal of 600 with 594 OLM parishioners supporting Appeal.

In the name of the poor who benefit from this charity, I must not take our liberties, offer my thanks and gratitude to the many who gave so generously given and also to our Chairs, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Zubiago, and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin McDevitt. Thanks for all your generous support!!

Sister Jeanne Barry, RSM, our former parish school principal, is to move into the Mercy Convent. The convent has been empty since Sister Edna moved to Mercy Mount Nursing Home. Sister Jeanne has been living in the Mercy Convent at Saints Rose and Clement but the parish is taking over the convent for other purposes. So, if you see boxes coming and going at the Mercy Convent, know that it is Sister Jeanne moving into her new home. Welcome to the neighborhood!

We are looking for high school age boys and girls who would like to work weekends as Sacristans setting up for Masses. Training is provided along with a small stipend. If you are interested or just want more information, contact Fr. Connors. It's a great opportunity for our youth to serve the parish.

This weekend we welcome to Our Lady of Mercy Mr. Henri St. Louis as our new Director of Music and Organist. Be sure to give him your usual warm OLM welcome! May St. Cecilia, the patroness of Church musicians, pray for him and all our church musicians at OLM!

Hope you had a great Fourth of July! Enjoy the summer while it lasts! God Bless America!

Father Hea



## Dear Fr. Connors: What is the Liturgy of the Hours?

The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office, is the official prayer of the Church. It is

also the prayer priests promise to pray five times a day. The book in which the prayers are found is often referred to as the breviary.

The Divine Office includes prayers for each time of day. It includes Morning Prayer, Daytime Prayer, Evening Prayer, Night Prayer and the Office of Readings which can be prayed at any time of the day. Every priest (including bishops and Popes), many congregations of consecrated religious, and many lay people pray the Liturgy of the Hours each day. The *Magnificat* publication, known to many in our parish, presents the Liturgy of the Hours in a modified form for easy use by lay people.

The Liturgy of the Hours consists mostly of the psalms, the principal prayer book of the Old Testament. It includes readings from the Scriptures and writings from the Saints and Doctors of the Church. It follows a four week cycle with unique prayers for each day of the week as well as special prayers for each saint throughout the year. It follows the liturgical cycle, with particular modifications during Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter.

At the same time that priests promise celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom of God and respect and obedience to their diocesan bishop, they promise to pray the Divine Office for the people of God. The Church is wise to tie their promise of celibacy and obedience to their prayer. Priests firstly are called to pray for God's people. In the Liturgy of the Hours, they find the Church's official prayer. It offers the constant hymn of praise to God everyday throughout the year.

If you have a question on the Church and Her teachings for Father Connors send it to associatepastor@olmparish.org



#### **June 29, 2014**

Weekly	\$10,990.50
EFT	\$942.00
Outreach	\$376.00

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.

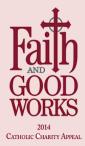
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#### **SECOND COLLECTIONS**

This Week: Building & Grounds Collection

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



2014 CCA Parish Goal for OLM: \$193,684

2014 OLM Donor Goal: 600

Total to date: \$242,470.50 Total donors to date: 594 Average gift: \$408.00

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There will be no Sunday 5PM Mass in July or August. There will be no First Friday Adoration in July or August. They will resume in September.





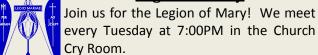
**Re-Registration for Religious Education Attention all RE Families.** Registration for next year (2014-2015) available online at the parish website (olmparish.org). Please re-register your children for all grades of Religious Education. Late fees will be applied to all those who do not register on time.

Thank you for your prompt cooperation.



**The OLM Food Pantry** is always in need of food especially during the summer months. Please leave all donated food items in the Food Bin in the Vestibule of Church. Thank you for your generous support. .

### **Legion of Mary**





### Congratulations to our newly baptized:



**Vera Madeline Smith,** and his parents, Matthew and Monica.

"Dearly beloved, this child has been reborn in baptism. She is now called a child of God, for so indeed she is."—The Rite of Baptism





#### **Monthly Meeting**

Saturday, July 12 6:30AM OLM Parish Office Meeting Room

For more information about this men's group at OLM, please contact Deacon John Dowd at 884-4968 or via email to deacon@olmparish.org

## Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator,

from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God,

and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us

Amen.

in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened:

give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith. Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father,

a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church

in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome—

for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us—

this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." We ask this through Christ our Lord.







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 click on 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.

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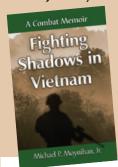
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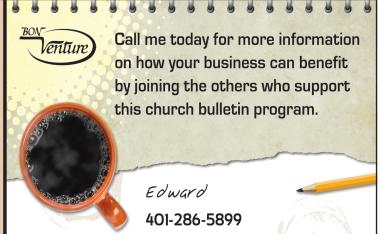
The world was a playground for Mickey, a naive Irish American kid bored with his life. His father served in World War II, his brother was a Marine in Vietnam; now it was his turn. His 365 days in Vietnam builds in torment until an attack on a bunker complex in Cambodia. Wounded, his friend captured, he becomes a tormented survivor knowing he is always just a heartbeat from death.



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