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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time ⅓ June 23, 2013

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass......5:00 PM Sunday Masses7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

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

Holy Day

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

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SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

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.

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The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 23, 2013

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

Vigil of the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM William J. & Margaret E. Ahern—Memorial

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Louis Catanio—Memorial
10:30 AM Felix, Irene & Celestina Giorgio—Memorial

MONDAY, JUNE 24

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
7:30 AM Dr. Jeremiah O'Connell—Memorial

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

Weekday

7:30 AM Philip Gardiner—12th Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

Weekday

7:30AM John Gardner—Memorial

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

Weekday, St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 7:30 AM Kate Bedard—Birthday Remembrance

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr 7:30AM R. G. Peter—Memorial

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles

8:30 AM For An Increase of Vocations to the Priesthood Vigil of Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM Anthony John Calitri—Memorial

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 AM Francis Vito—Memorial

9:00 AM James & Mary Payne—Memorial10:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy



Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

This weekend we offer a "Fond Farewell" to Father Shemek. There will be a Reception for him Sunday following the 10:30AM Mass. He offers his last Mass here at OLM on Tuesday at 7:30AM and then will take some time to pack up and move on to his new assignment in Tiverton. As you know Bishop Tobin appointed Father Shemek the new Pastor at Saint Christopher's Church and Saint Theresa's Church in Tiverton in May. He begins his new assignment on July 1st.

While he has only been here for a year I know he will be truly missed. His priestly ministry at Our Lady of Mercy has been full of joy and faith which he has willingly shared with all of us. I too shall miss Father Shemek as he has been a great Associate Pastor to work with and a great joy to live with here at OLM. Also, he is a great cook and I freely admit I'll miss that too!! Saturday night dinners just won't be the same!!

I am quite sure he will excel in his new assignment as a first time Pastor of two parishes. His friendly demeanor and deep faith are no doubt to serve him well as he pastors the good of Tiverton. people Father Shemek is kind and compassionate priest who lives his faith with great joy. He truly has lived the words of St. Paul to the Ephesians: "Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ."

I am truly grateful to God for allowing me to serve with such a fine priest as Father Shemek. So in your name I say "Farewell and Thank You Father Shemek!" Dear Father Shemek please know you are always welcome back home to OLM and we truly look forward to seeing you again soon. Ad multos annos!

Last Friday was the last day of school at OLM, and many other schools, while some schools finished up this past week. Friday, June 21st, was the first official day of the summer season. It's hard to believe that summer has arrived and the Fourth of July is around the corner. Where did the time go?!

Despite all the rain we've had recently summer always means warm weather and sunny days! It also means that many parishioners go to their summer homes or travel on vacations with family and friends. Summer is a time to rest and relax from the usual schedule and routine.

I've been reading a new book entitled "Pope Francis: His Life in His Own Words." It is a book of conversations with the man who was then Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio. It offers some great insight into what kind of person the Holy Father is and how he thinks about all kinds of things concerning faith, life and death.

Responding to the question, "Do we need to

rediscover the meaning leisure?" Pope Francis replies: "Together with a culture of work, there must be a culture of leisure as gratification. To put it another way: people who work must take the time to relax, to be with their families, to enjoy themselves, read, listen to music, play a sport. But this is destroyed, in large part, by the elimination of the Sabbath rest day. More and more people work on Sundays as a consequence of the competitiveness imposed by a consumer society." In such cases, he concludes, "work ends up dehumanizing people."

The Holy Father is on to something here especially for us as Americans. Our culture has become frantic with work all day and all week. Stores open seven days a week for twenty-four hours a day including holidays! I hope we all listen to the wisdom of Pope Francis and take some time away from work this Spending time with summer. friends, reading a good book, going to one of Rhode Island's beautiful beaches or just sitting in the backyard contemplating life serve us all well. May we enjoy the summer while it lasts!

I hope you can join us next Sunday at the 10:30 Mass of Thanksgiving for Sister Lucy and Sister Rose. A reception follows the Mass as we offer our gratitude to the good sisters for their ministry at OLM. God Bless. Have a great week!

Father Healey

The Catechism Corner

All of us know the feeling of having a Boss. You know, that's the person who always walks into our office catching us in the middle of our afternoon

nap or the one who is getting off of the elevator as we are trying to sneak out early that day. We all know what a bad boss is like (since we have heard horror stories at the water cooler) and



then we probably know what a YEAR OF FAITH 2013 good boss is like as well. They're the ones who make you feel that you don't work as much for them as with them. We realize, therefore, how much a good boss influences and shapes the work that is done. But no matter how good any boss is, they are still the boss and, well, we are not!! Now here comes the spiritual question: Do we view ourselves in a "working relationship" with the Lord?? Put in other words, is He our Boss?? Certainly we could see some parallels in what He expects of us--the responsibilities that He has entrusted to us--the gifts that He has given us to be used for others--the Catholic Faith He has bestowed upon us to be shared with others--and the vocation He has blessed us with to be lived to its fullest. And in those aspects we are in a "working relationship" of sorts with Him but then again, our relationship with Him is SO MUCH MORE!! Remember that "good boss" with whom we worked as opposed to for whom we worked?? Well, we not only work with Christ but also through Christ and in Christ. Just as the words of the doxology at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer remind us: "Through Him, with Him, in Him..." "From the beginning, Jesus associated his disciples with his own life, revealed the mystery of the Kingdom to them, and gave them a share in his mission, joy, and sufferings. Jesus spoke of a still more intimate communion between him and those who would follow him: 'Abide in me, and I in you...I am the vine, you are the branches." As believers in Jesus Christ, we are not only "gathered around him" but as the Church we are "united in him, in his body." Now that's the type of working relationship that would make ANY Monday morning easier to endure!! Before tomorrow morning when you might have to go back to that "other" boss, be sure to **check it out** in the Catechism of the Catholic Church #787-789.



IUNE 16, 2013

Weekly	\$11,357.00
EFT	\$1,779.00
Outreach	

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!

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday—Legion of Mary—7:00PM



Marian Altar Flowers Memorial

The Flowers at the Marian Shrine are donated in memory of Philip Gardiner this week.



2013 Parish Goal

Pledge Goal: \$195,000 Donor Goal: 600 Donors Raised to date: \$217,153 Donors to date: 623 Average Gift: \$350.00

OLM 2012 CCA Results

Pledge Goal: \$195,000 Total Raised: \$187,271 Total Number of Donors: 505 Average Gift:\$370.00

Thank You For Your Generous Support!



Registrations for 2013-2014 RE Year are now being accepted. Please contact the Parish Office at 884-4968 parish@olmparish.org to obtain a form. Please note that all those students who are entering the 8th Grade (Public, Private or Catholic School) next year must be registered for 8th Grade Confirmation Class. 2nd Grade is a Sacramental Preparation Year and all those in need of First Communion should be registered in advance. All RE Classes are scheduled for Sundays.

RE Grades 1—5

Sundays 10:00AM-11:00AM

RE Grades 6—8

Sundays 6:00PM-7:00PM

Last call for First Communion DVD! All those who would like the DVD of this year's First Communion Mass should contact the Parish Office this week.



The summer months are known to have a decline in donations to the **OLM Food Pantry**. Please continue to think of those in need. Grocery Gift Cards of \$10 are also helpful. Thank you for your support.

The next Bereavement Support Group meeting will be Thursday, July 11, from 4PM - 6PM at Mercy House, 57 Second St. East Greenwich, RI. All those who are experiencing grief over the lose of a loved one are invited to attend.

Fr. Shemek

This Sunday, June 23, 2013 Following 10:30AM Mass

Join us in saying "Farewell and Thank You" to



Father Shemek as he leaves Our Lady of Mercy Parish to begin his new assignment as the Pastor of St. Theresa and St. Christopher Parishes in Tiverton. You will be able to say good-bye and thank you at the

reception in Mercy Park immediately following the 10:30AM Mass. Congratulations Fr. Shemek on your new assignment and Thank You for your ministry at Our Lady of Mercy.

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Ministry of the Filipini Sisters

at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Sunday, June 30, 2013 10:30AM Mass followed by Reception

Please join us in giving thanks to God for the ministry of Sister Rose and Sister Lucy at Our Lady of Mercy Parish. The Filipini Sisters are leaving OLM and we will mark their dedicated service here with a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a Farewell Reception at Mercy Park. We thank the good Sisters for their years of service to our parish family. Come offer your prayerful best wishes for them on June 30.





II—Anthony Gelsomino & Tracy Alix

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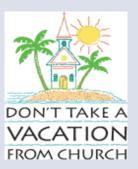
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We have partnered with Parish Giving to offer this program to all of our parishioners. It's simple, just log on to the Our Lady of Mercy website (www.olmparish.org/) and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions. 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. • 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.

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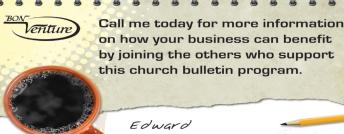
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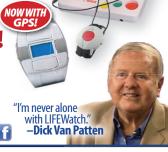
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