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All Saints M. November 1, 2015

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

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

Daily

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

Holy Day

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

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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.

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

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The Solemnity of All Saints
November 1, 2015

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

The Vigil Mass of All Saints

5:00PM Alfred, Julia & Alfred J. Mastracchio—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

The Solemnity of All Saints

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy 9:00AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

10:30AM Deceased OLM Parishioners

5:00PM Confirmation Mass

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

The Feast of All Souls

7:30 AM Christopher Angelo—12th Anniversary

9:00AM All the Faithful Departed

12:05PM All the Faithful Departed

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Weekday/St. Martin de Porres, Religious

7:30 AM Pamela Ann Bodine—3rd Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

7:30AM The Deceased Members of the Frank & Isabella Almonte Family—Memorial

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Weekday

7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Weekday

7:30AM Arthur Bert—1st Anniversary

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Weekday/BVM

8:30AM Special Intention

The Mass of Anticipation for 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM Steven Simms—2nd Anniversary SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy 9:00 AM Robert S. Leyden—8th Anniversary

10:30AM Joann Vito—6th Anniversary

5:00PM Miriam Gossmann—5th Anniversary



We must empty Purgatory with our prayers.

Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

We welcome Bishop Thomas J. Tobin to Our Lady of Mercy this weekend. He is here to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday at the 5:00PM Mass. Over one hundred young men and women have been preparing for this milestone in their young lives.

In the name of the parish I offer a warm welcome to Bishop Tobin, and also offer our prayerful congratulations to the 2015 OLM Confirmation Class. We rejoice in this great day for these young people and our parish. They are the future of our Church and so we commend them to Almighty God as we pray:

"All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their helper and guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence."

Today the Church across the globe rejoices as we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. In an All Saints Day homily last year, Pope Francis suggested that the saints are not "supermen" who are "born perfect", but rather are ordinary people who followed God "with all their heart".

The Holy Father stated: "They are like us, they are like each of us, they are people who before reaching the glory of

heaven lived a normal life, with joys and grief, struggles and hopes. Each saint changed his or her life when they recognized the love of God, they followed him with all their heart, without conditions and hypocrisies. They spent their lives in the service of others, they endured suffering and adversity without hatred and responded to evil with good, spreading joy and peace. The saints give us a message. They tell us: be faithful to the Lord, because the Lord does not disappoint!"

All Saints Day is followed the next day by the Commemoration of ΑII the Faithful Departed, more commonly known as All Souls Day. All Souls Day is a day set aside for honoring and praying for the dead.

This celebration of All Souls stems from the Catholic doctrine that the souls of the faithful departed who at their death have not been cleansed from the temporal punishment due to their venial sins and from attachment to their mortal sins. They cannot immediately attain the beatific vision in heaven and so are in a state of purification which we know as Purgatory.

Our Catholic Faith teaches us that our beloved dead are aided by our many prayers and by the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. In other words, when they died, they had not yet attained full sanctification and moral perfection, a requirement for entrance into Heaven. This sanctification is carried out

posthumously in Purgatory. The Masses we offer aid not only the living, but also the dead. This is why there is such a venerable tradition of remembering our loved ones who have died with Masses on anniversaries or Month's Mind.

All Souls Day Masses are at 7:30am, 9am and 12:05pm. All Souls Day is not a holyday of obligation, but I encourage you to come to Mass and pray for the souls in Purgatory. If you cannot make it to Mass on Monday, please offer prayers for the dead, especially your beloved dead, and those souls who have no one to pray for them.

In a special way we will remember the souls of the faithful departed who rest in our parish cemetery, St. Patrick's. The OLM School students will process to St. Patrick's Cemetery following the 9am All Souls School Mass. You are most welcome to join with them as we pray and process for the faithful departed of our parish family. Cemeteries are not "spooky" places, but rather they are signs of faith and hope for the resurrection of those buried there.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May all the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Happy All Saints Day! A Prayerful All Souls Day! Be well. Do good. God Bless. Go Pats!!

Father Healey



Dear Fr. Connors: What exactly is a monk? Is a monk always a priest?

For some reason, I have been getting this question a lot lately. People are evidently very interested in monks.

A monk—which comes from the Greek word meaning solitary—is

a man who lives a contemplative life in a monastery under vows. A nun, which strictly speaking differs from a religious sister who lives a more active religious life, is the female equivalent of a monk.

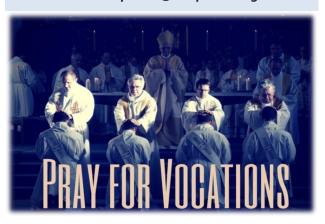
The original form of religious life in the Church was monasticism. Those were individuals who made a monastic consecration, dedicating themselves exclusively to God through poverty, chastity and obedience. Only later in the Church's history did there arise more active forms of religious life, such as teaching sisters or religious order priests engaged in active work.

Some monks are ordained priests, most often for service to their monastic community. For example, there would be a need for some monks to be priests in order to celebrate Mass, hear confessions, and celebrate the other Sacraments for the monastic community. Not all monks however would be priests. A monk who was not a priest would usually be referred to as "brother."

Here in Rhode Island many are familiar with Portsmouth Abbey. The Abbey is a Benedictine monastery of the English Benedictine Congregation. About a dozen monks live at the abbey and their job is firstly to pray the divine office, the official prayer of the church. In addition, they help run the school connected to the monastery.

In this year especially dedicated to the consecrated life, it is helpful to recall the gift of monasticism to the Church. Monks remind us that the worship of God—through the official prayer of the Church—remains man's most important activity.

If you have a question about the Catholic Church or Catholic Teaching, please email questions to associatepastor@olmparish.org



Weekly Collection Esosco

October 25, 2015

Weekly	\$11,759.50
EFT	\$2,207.50
	Total=\$13,967.00
Annual (to date)	\$75,160.00
Outreach	\$458.00

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.

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



SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Week: Grounds & Maintenance



CHANGE OF SATURDAY MASS TIME NEXT WEEK!

Beginning in next week on **Saturday, November 7, 2015,** the Saturday, 5:00PM Mass moves back to Saturdays at 4:00PM and Saturday Confessions move to 3:00PM. Please plan accordingly.



We offer our prayers and condolences to the family of Our Lady of Mercy Parishioner **Maurice A. Paiva** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated here last week.

May he rest in peace.





•No RE Classes this weekend due to the Celebration of the Sacrament on Confirmation on Sunday.

Congratulations to our Newly Confirmed!

•The Religious Education calendar can be found on the Parish website: www.olmparish.org. Go to Faith Formation and then Religious Education for Children.

utreach Update

- •The OLM Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable food items. Please place all non-perishable food in the Food Box located in the vestibule of the Church. *Thanks for your support!*
- ●OLM Bereavement Group meets Thursday, November 5 at 4PM in Mercy House. All those experiencing a loss, grieving a loved one or loneliness are most welcome. For more information please contact Doug Green at 884-4410 or via an email at outreach@olmparish.org



•All Souls Day School Mass, Monday November 2nd at 9AM. Followed by procession & prayer service at St. Patrick's Cemetery.

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The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed Monday, November 2, 2015

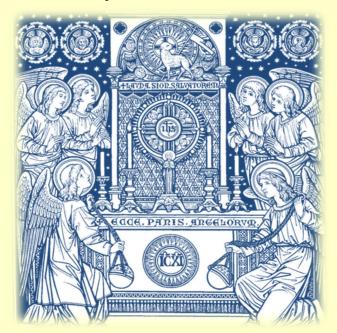


7:30am Mass for All Souls Day

9:00am OLM School Mass for All Souls Day Followed by procession to St. Patrick's Cemetery

12:05pm Mass for All Souls Day

First Friday Adoration Friday, November 6, 2015



Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
following 7:30AM Mass
All-Day Adoration
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00PM

"It is in the Blessed Sacrament that we find strength. Without my daily Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament, I could not have lasted one single day."

—St. Damien the Leper of Molakai

Requiescat in pace

Let Us Pray for these OLM Parishioners Who Died This Past Year

Arthur Bert Theresa Grenier **Deborah Anderson Edmond Magner** Michael J. McNulty **Doreen McCall** Carl M. Heintzelman Joseph Petteruti **Kathleen Lee** Jovce Richard Florence Carvisiglia Lucia Asprinio James M. Wilson **David McGovern Paul Roy** Veronica Gorman William G. Burnett **Edward P Carlin**

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perpetual light shine
upon them. May the
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departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in
peace. Amen.

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