

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:00 PM
Sunday Masses7	:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM
September-June	5:00 PM

Daily

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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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time ▼ November 3, 2013

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Mondays at 6:00 PM or by appointment. Saturdays at 3:00 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

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The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 3, 2013

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Anticipated Mass for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 PM Deceased Parishioners of OLM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy 9:00 AM Vincent Lanna—5th Anniversary 10:30 AM Mary Amoroso—1st Anniversary

5:00PM Dora Alcala Ramirez Amaya—Memorial

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Isabella & Almonte Families

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Weekday

7:30 AM Martha & Gottloeb Loeffler—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Weekday

7:30AM The Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Weekday

7:30 AM The Intentions of the Lee Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Weekday

7:30AM J. Howard King and John Patten— Birthday Rembrance

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:30 AM Walter Tivnan—Memorial

Anticipated Mass for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Tom & Betty Kelly—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
9:00 AM Robert F. Leyden—6th Anniversary
10:30AM Mildred Celender—Memorial
5:00PM Bernard Falchini—Memorial

Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

It's good to be home! My pilgrimage to Rome was truly an enjoyable and inspirational time. I was able to offer Mass for you and your intentions at St. Peter's Basilica and St. Paul's Basilica in Rome during the week. Also last Saturday I had the great privilege to celebrate Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and on Sunday morning at the Catacombs of St. Callixtus.

These were truly prayerful and faithful moments on this time of pilgrimage. The celebrant of the Mass at St. Peter's was Cardinal William Levada who is the former prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. His Eminence gave a truly inspirational homily to our group of State Catholic Conference Directors. It helped that he served as the California Catholic Conference Director in the 1980s.

Our group was granted special tickets to Pope Francis' Wednesday Audience. We were seated very near the Holy Father in St. Peter's Square. The Wednesday Audience was an incredible event. A Vatican Official informed us that they had given out 92,000 tickets for the audience that day and another 25,000 came without tickets!

St. Peter's Square was packed and we had to make our way there through the crowd. We left at 8:00AM in order to make it to the 10:00AM audience! Pilgrims from across the globe gathered to listen to Pope Francis' warm welcome and inspirational

message and to pray with our spiritual leader. The energy and enthusiasm of the crowd was truly contagious!

Pope Francis spoke of the Blessed Virgin Mary as the model of faith. As I listened to his profound message it certainly seemed a very providential theme for the Pastor of Our Lady of Mercy, a parish under Mary's spiritual patronage.

The Holy Father went on to say: "How did Mary live this faith? She lived it out in the simplicity of the thousand daily tasks and worries of every mother, such as providing food, clothing, caring for the house. It was precisely Our Lady's normal life which served as the basis for the unique relationship and profound dialogue which unfolded between her and God, between her and her Son. Mary's "yes", already perfect from the start, grew until the hour of the Cross.".

It was very apparent that Pope Francis was delighted by the crowd and at times responded with joy to the shouts of "Viva II Papa!" After delivering his message, he greeted some of the assembled guests personally and then began to wade through the crowd to the handicapped pilgrims in the front row and then spent a considerable time greeting many of thousands of school children who were assembled throughout the crowd.

It was a beautiful sunny day and was actually quite hot but it did not deter the crowd of over 100,000 pilgrims from singing, praying and shouting out.

It made a Red Sox World Series Game look like a small pep rally!!!

While in Rome our group State Catholic Conference Directors also met with various Officials Vatican to discuss Church-State Relations under 0 Francis. We met with Archbishop Muller, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Cardinal Peter Turkson, President of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, Archbishop Rino Fisichella, President of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Evangelization New and Monsignor Peter Wells, the Assessor for General Affairs of the Vatican Secretariat of State.

Monsignor Wells is a priest from Oklahoma and serves as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Pope Francis. His insights into the Holy Father were interesting. He told us that Rome has not seen such large crowds, usually 100,000 or more, and sustained crowds for the Papal Audience. He also noted that the lines for Confessions in St. Peter's Basilica have dramatically increased due largely to Pope Francis' message of mercy.

It was a jam packed week on Pilgrimage and I am happy to be home. I thank Fr. Connors for his very capable leadership of the parish during my absence. I urge you to please pray for the dead during this All Souls Month. By the time you read this column the Red Sox will be World Champions! God Bless. Have a great week.

Father Healey

The Catechism Corner

All of the Church's feasts and seasons are meant not only to be celebrations of some aspect of our Faith but also as teaching

reminders of what we believe. Thus, in the span of one liturgical year, we call to mind all the mysteries of our Catholic Faith and, by this very celebration of them, hope to



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come to a deeper understanding of what these mysteries mean for the daily living of our Faith. In this month of November, as we pray for all the souls of the faithful departed, we do this very same thing! On the one hand, we celebrate throughout this month the goodness and the mercy of God Himself. He has allowed these good souls to be judged worthy of Him. He has also judged them worthy of being cleansed in Purgatory before they enter into their eternal reward. And at the same time, this month of November reminds us of the goodness of our own soul and also its integral role in making us who we are. "The Church teaches that every spiritual soul is created immediately by God -- it is not 'produced' by the parents -- and also that it is immortal: it does not perish when it separates from the body at death, and it will be reunited with the body at the final Resurrection." Praying for the dead reminds us that while man is truly a unity of both body and soul, it is his soul alone which makes him immortal. The soul "lives on" after death. It might be in a way that we may not fully comprehend since all of us live with a body and soul united, but nonetheless, the soul has real existence after death. The soul is truly "that by which [man] is most especially in God's image." Being aware, then, of the importance of our praying for all the souls of the faithful departed who have gone on to the next life, makes us even more aware of our own need to care for our souls here in this life. For more "soul-searching," check it out in the Catechism of the Catholic Church #363-366.



October 27, 2013

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Weekly EFT	\$735.00
Annual (To date)	\$56,088.50
Outreach	\$373.00

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 and Grounds

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday—Legion of Mary at 7:00PM
Thursday—OLM Book Club at 7PM in School Library
Sunday—RCIA at 11:30AM in Parish Meeting Room

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



Change of Mass Time

The 5:00PM Saturday Evening Mass has moved back to 4:00PM , from November 2, 2013 until April. Saturday Confessions will also begin an hour earlier, at 3:00PM. Please plan accordingly.



Congratulations to our newly baptized:

Peter Alexander Cleary, and his parents James and Carol

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



You can find a complete RE Schedule and Registration Forms online at under Faith Formation tab at www.olmparish.org

OLM Religious Education Schedule 2013-14

RE Grades 1—5 Sundays 10:00AM—11:00AM All Classes meet this week. RE Grades 6—8 Sundays 6:00PM-7:00PM

Upcoming Mandatory Meetings:

Confirmation Class Parents: All parents of current 8th Grade Confirmation Students (Public, Private & Parochial) must attend a Meeting on Monday, November 4th at 7:00PM in the OLM Cafeteria.

First Communion Class Parents: All parents of current 2nd Grade First Communion Students (Public & OLM School) must attend a meeting on Tuesday, November 5 at 7:00PM in Church.

The Sacrament of Confession Saturdays at 3:00PM & Mondays at 6:00PM



"Confession heals, confession iustifies, confession grants pardon of sin, all hope consists in confession: in confession there is а chance mercy."—St. Isidore of Seville



The OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food. Please leave your food donations in the box in the vestibule of Church.

Thank you for your generosity.



We offer our prayers and condolences to the family of Our Lady of Mercy Parishioner, Michael Franzone of whose Mass Christian Burial was celebrated here last week.



OLM School News

• Holiday Shopping Night, Thursday December 5th: We are excited to announced Our Lady of Mercy School's 1st annual Holiday Shopping Night! Please join us for a fun and festive evening filled with beautiful handmade items and artwork from local crafters and artisans, as well as several independent consultants like Pampered Chef and SwissJust! Get your holiday shopping done early and celebrate the season in style! More details to follow...stayed tuned! If you or someone you know may be interested in having a display at this event, please contact Kathy Royce at royceri@verizon.net for more information

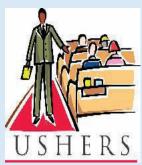
"Science in Motion" Educational Field Trip



This year, in lieu of Science Olympiad, Lady o f Mercy's science program will offer an educational trip called "Science in WORLD STRIDES Motion in Orlando Florida this DiscoverNow! spring. Students experience hands on lessons such as "Discovering

Marine Life Conservation" at EPCOT, "Properties of Motion" at the Magic Kingdom, and learn about "Sustainable Practices in Conservation" at Animal Kingdom. They also enjoy Wildlife lunch with an astronaut at Kennedy Space Center and be able to ask questions about the astronaut's experience in space. The science group will hold a bake sale after all masses this weekend to help defray some of the cost of the trip for the students attending. We appreciate your support!

Your Parish needs your help.



We are in need of adult men and women willing to serve as ushers on a regular basis at the Sunday 5:00PM Mass. If you are willing to help, can smile and welcome people to Mass, then you qualify. For more information

contact Fr. Healey at parish@olmparish.org or by calling the Parish Office at 401-884-4968. Thanks for your help!!



Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our active Prayer Chain. The power of prayer is tremendous and many successful results have been reported back. Anyone wishing to join the Prayer Chain as a caller or simply as one who prays for others and their intentions, please call Mary Hart at 884-5629. If you know someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any serious reason please call



The Knights of Columbus, Council 58, is a fraternal order of men, who perform charitable work in support of Our Lady of Mercy church. If you are interested in the Knights of Columbus, please contact Tom Mahoney at tom@tommymahoney.com.

<u>Next Meeting:</u> Sunday, November 24th at 7:00PM in Church Cry Room. New Members are welcome to attend.

Requiescat in pace

Please Pray for These OLM Parishioners Who Have Died This Past Year

Mary Elizabeth Amoroso Rose Nastasi Donald Gordon James Sheridan Frances Vito Yolanda P Brusci Edward Fern George Oakes Vivian Ericson Ruth McCaffrey Joyce Butler Richard A. Wills Loretta Hodges Paul Brodeur Bertha J. Quinn Patricia Dunkel Mary T. Gianardi Teresa Pescosolido Antonetta DiNapoli Thomas L. Henry Joseph Fava, Sr. Matthew Franzone

Robert White Suzanne Romero Doris Gloria Lawrence Antonia Iannucilli Edward J. Corbett Ralph Marden Frances Medeiros John O'Brien David Weisenburger Frank Woods Maria Sanmartino Dennis Levesque Alice McDonald Walter Schubert Daniel E Pratt Rosemary Lusignan Margaret Black Margaret Kelleher Roger Allard Antonio Mancinho Robert F. Ranney Maria D'Amico

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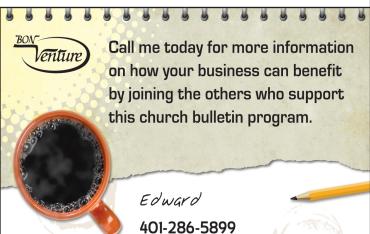
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