

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

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

Daily

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

Holy Day

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

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ◆ October 4, 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

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The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2015

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

The Mass of Anticipation for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Roger Allard—2nd Anniversary

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

9:00AM Barbara McMahon—Birthday Remembrance

10:30AM Daniel Murphy—1st Anniversary

5:00PM Frank, Katherine, & John Dwyer—Memorial

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Weekday

7:30 AM Martha & Gottloeb Loeffler—Memorial

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Weekday/St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie-Rose Durocher, Virgin 7:30 AM Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

7:30AM Deceased Members of the OLM Rosary Makers

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Weekday

7:30AM Mary Jane Sweet—Memorial

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

Weekday/St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest

7:30AM Martha L. Cavanagh—Memorial

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

Weekday; BVM

8:30AM Ronald Kennedy—Memorial

The Mass of Anticipation for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Janice & Alexander Lisy—Memorial

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
9:00 AM Sister Mary Frances Ryan, RSM—Memorial
10:30AM Regina & Anthony Colaluca—Memorial

5:00PM Kathleen & Donald Martin—7th & 14th Anniversary



We must empty Purgatory with our prayers.
St.Padre Pio

Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

What a week for our nation and our Church. Pope Francis' Apostolic Visit to the United States dominated the headlines filled the From his arrival at airwaves. Andrews Air Force Base to his departure from Philadelphia, the Holy Father showed the whole country his humility, his faith and his love.

Millions of people came out to see him and be with him at the large Masses and at his visits to schools, convents, seminaries, prisons, and homeless shelters. His was truly a "Mission of Love" which provided inspiration for many people and much food for thought for all us. His simple message to us was very challenging and provocative.

Of course there are those complainers and cynics, both in and outside the Church, who like to find fault with Pope Francis' style or with his words. Yet Pope Francis simply asked us to answer the call to serve the poor, work for economic opportunity for all people, be good stewards of the earth, protect religious minorities from persecution, promote religious freedom everywhere, defend human life at all stages and welcome the stranger, the immigrant and the refugee.

In Philadelphia, Pope RE Professions said: "Most of you know the story of Saint Katharine Drexel, one of the great saints raised up by this local Church. When she spoke to Pope Leo XIII of the needs of the missions, the Pope – he was a very wise Pope! — RE Profession homebour important and us evolution. Use the content of the profession in the profession homebour important and us evolution. We be a supplied to the profession in the professi

asked her pointedly: 'What about you? What are you going to do?'. Those words changed Katharine's life, because they reminded her that, in the end, every Christian man and woman, by virtue of baptism, has received a mission. Each one of us has to respond, as best we can, to the Lord's call to build up his Body, the Church."

Pope Francis went on to suggest: "One of the great challenges facing the Church in this generation is to foster in all the faithful a sense of personal responsibility for the Church's mission, and to enable them to fulfill that responsibility missionary disciples, as a leaven of the Gospel in our world." Pope Francis is asking each one of us, priest and laity, old and young, rich and poor, "what about you?" What are you going to do to serve the Lord and His Church?

We are offered a great witness of service with the Franciscan Apostolic Sisters who begin their ministry at Our Lady of Mercy Parish this week. Lourdes and Sister Emma moved into their new home this past week and we officially welcome them to OLM at the 10:30AM Mass. The good Sisters are very excited to be living and working at our parish. They hope to help out in our parish school, with our RE Program, visit the sick and homebound, and most importantly pray for our parish and us every day! Welcome to OLM Sr. Emma and Lourdes!

We install our Religious ducation teachers this

weekend. These men and women volunteer much of their free time to ensuring that the children of our parish learn about Jesus and his teachings. We thank all of our RE teachers and aides for their witness to the faith and answer the call to serve the Church.

We thank Mickey St. Jean and Doug Green who direct this important part of the life and ministry of our parish. We give thanks to God for the many families who faithfully participate in our program, the teachers and aides who volunteer so willingly to serve it, and the children who are so open to learning more about their Catholic Faith.

Fr. Connors is in Rome where he attended the ordination of Seminarian Nathan Ricci. Nathan is from Warwick, a graduate of Bishop Hendricken High School and also Providence College. He and fifty of classmates were ordained Transitional Deacons by Cardinal Dolan at St. Peter's Basilica. June 2016 Nathan is to be ordained a priest for service in the Diocese of Providence. Praverful congratulations Nathan and his classmates!

I offer my sincere thanks and deep gratitude to the many parishioners who have thus far generously donated to the Annual Collection. It is a good start to this critical collection and I am always so grateful for your support and generosity toward the parish. Be well. Do Good. Go Pats. God Bless.



Dear Fr. Connors: What is the difference between a nun and a sister?

In ordinary parlance the terms "sister" and "nun" are used interchangeably to describe women in religious

life. Both nuns and sisters are called "religious" or "member of the consecrated life."

Strictly speaking, however, a nun refers to a member of a contemplative or cloistered religious community. They take perpetual solemn vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. The Carmelites in Barrington, RI or the Trappistines in Wrentham, MA or the Dominicans Nuns in North Guilford, CT would all fall in this category.

Religious sisters are members of active or apostolic religious communities. They ordinarily take perpetual simple vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. The Religious Sisters of Mercy, the Dominicans Sisters of St. Cecelia from Nashville, TN and the Franciscan Apostolic Sisters who will be coming to Our Lady of Mercy all fall in this category of religious life.

While we often refer to all religious sisters as nuns, strictly speaking that term is reserved for those in cloistered or semi-cloistered contemplative religious life. The title "Sister" is used to address both nuns and sisters.

Pope Francis has called this year to be one where the Church reflects on the gift of the religious or consecrated life. All religious—whether religious priests, nuns, monks, sisters or brothers—all belong to this group of Catholic faithful who seek by their way of life to be signs of Heaven in our midst. Through their lives of consecration to the Lord they profess to live evangelical poverty, perfect chastity and obedience to a lawful superior in imitation of Jesus who lived poverty, chastity and obedience.

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

Weekly Collection

September 27, 2015

Weekly	\$11,512.50
EFT	\$2,082.50
	Total=\$13,595.00
Annual (to date)	\$43,99500
Outreach	\$338.50

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.

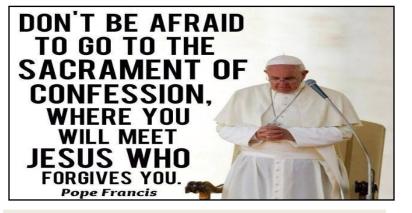
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SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Week: Monthly Building & Grounds Collection Next Week: Seminarian Education Fund



Confession at OLM

Mondays 6:00—6:45PM Saturdays 4:00—4:45PM



I—Patrick A. Dorr & Ashley M. Larcheveque

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II—Christian A. Hall & Elisha K. Lonergan

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- ●No RE Classes on Sunday, October 11th due to the Columbus Day Holiday.
- Grades 1 and 2 only have orientation on Sunday, October 18th from 10-11am. A parent should accompany their child. There are no classes for Grades 3-5 that day.
- •Grades 6-8 begin class from 5:45-6:45pm. Please Note the slight change in time!
- •The Religious Education calendar can be found on the Parish website: www.olmparish.org. Go to Faith Formation and then Religious Education for Children.



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!*

Thanks to all who helped with the OLM Outreach Work of Mercy. Over 400 sandwiches for the homeless were made and distributed with new socks. Please contact OLM Outreach Director Doug Green at 884-4410/outreach@olmparish.org for more information.



- Daily School Mass, Tuesday, October 6 at 8:15am
- Annual Walk-a-Thon, Thursday, October 8
- Catholic High Schools Night, Thursday, October 8 at 7pm
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Our next meeting is this Sunday October 4th from 7:15 pm to 8:4pm at OLM School Gym. All OLM parishioners in Grades 9-12 are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact OLM Youth Activities Coordinator, Michael LaChimia, at 884-4968 or via email at mlachimia@olmschool.org



Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our active Prayer Chain. The power of pray 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 or email at 2hart@cox.net. If you know someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any serious reason please call us! The power of prayer at work!



Next Meeting is Sunday, October 25 at 6PM. We meet in the OLM Church Cry Room following the 5pm Mass.

40 Days of Life - Please help protect the unborn on Saturday morning, October 10, at 8AM, please join Father Connors and fellow parishioners as we offer prayers to end abortion and increase respect for human life. We gather at the Woman's Reproductive Services Clinic at 1725 Broad St., Cranston, RI to pray the rosary and then proceed to St. Paul's Church (1 block away) for Mass. For those interested in joining the car caravan, the Knights of Columbus will be departing promptly at 7:15AM from the Our Lady of Mercy Church upper parking.

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. We are actively engaged in the Respect Life movement and in support various activities of Our Lady of Mercy Church. If you are interested in the Knights of Columbus, please contact Tom Mahoney at tom@tommymahoney.com

Welcome Franciscan Apostolic Sisters



"We re-fill our spirits by prayer and penance and pour out to others by our active apostolate."

—Fr. Gerardo Z. Filippeto, OFM, Founder of the Franciscan Apostolic Sisters

In 1953, Father Gerardo Z. Filippeto, OFM, a missionary in the Northeastern region of the Philippines, was inspired by the Lord to found an institute of women as auxiliary to his work of evangelization and preservation of the Faith in a vast area deprived of priests. The members are to live the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi and follow the examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary in her service to Jesus and the Apostles. For this reason, it is right that the religious family be called the Franciscan Apostolic Sisters (FAS). It was founded in the spirit of the Third Order Regular of Saint Francis, dedicated to a life of prayer, penance, and apostolate. On December 8, 1964, Bishop Teodulfo D.D., of the Diocese of Tugegarao granted its Diocesan Approval. On May 18, 1996, Archbishop Diosdado A. Talamayan, after having received a favorable consent and approval from the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, issued the Final Decree of its Canonical Erection as a Religious Institute of Diocesan Right. On October 4, 2015, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the Franciscan Apostolic Sisters begin their apostolic work at Our Lady of Mercy Church and School.

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