

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

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

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ◆ October 6, 2013

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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 6, 2013

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

Anticipated Mass for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM Mary & Joseph Gianardi—9th Anniversary

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Dr. Walter Schubert—Memorial
9:00 AM Doris Clark—Memorial

10:30 AM Our Lady of Mercy Parishioners

5:00PM Confirmation Mass

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

7:30 AM Past & Present OLM Rosary Makers

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Weekday

7:30 AM Antonio Sousa—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

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

7:30AM Frank Woods—Memorial

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

Weekday

7:30 AM Frank Woods—Memorial

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

Weekday/ Bl. John XXIII, Pope

7:30AM Sister Patricia Barry—Memorial

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Weekday/BVM

8:30 AM Andrew DiPietro—Memorial

Anticipated Mass for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Thomas J. Fitzpatrick—Memorial

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
9:00 AM Janice & Alexander Lisy—Memorial
10:30AM Anthony & Anne Panto—Memorial
5:00PM Deceased Members of the McGylnn, Dwyer
& Lee Families—Memorial



Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

Last week we held the Annual Financial Meeting for the Parish Corporation. Our Parish Trustees, Joe Cavanagh and Bill along with the seven Wray, members of our Parish Finance Council met with Dave Cote, our Parish Business Manager, and myself to review the Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013. Overall the report looks good and a copy will be provided to the entire parish in the coming weeks.

Specifically, the report indicates that this year the parish had a cash surplus of about \$25,000. This is a change from the last few years of deficits, and a sign of your generous support. The report shows a positive financial trend for our parish and this is truly great news especially during these tough economic times. Unlike the federal government we won't face a shut down!

I wish to thank the Parish Trustees, Finance Council and Dave Cote for their hard work and dedication to serving our parish. Their sound advice and good counsel is a great asset in keeping the parish financially sound and fiscally viable.

Also, I wish to thank Gloria Lincourt for her many years of dedicated service to the parish. As you may know she served as a Parish Auditor for many years and recently asked to step down. We are grateful for her hard work and service on behalf of the parish.

Ed Loiselle, a long time

parishioner of OLM and a CPA, has generously agreed to take Gloria's place as Parish Auditor. I am grateful for his willingness to serve along with our longtime Parish Auditor, Paul St. Onge. Both Ed and Paul carefully reviewed the Annual Financial Report as required by the Diocese. The final report will now be sent to Bishop Tobin for his review.

I am grateful for your generous financial support of Our Lady of Mercy. In a time when many other parishes are struggling financially, your continued generosity keeps Our Lady of Mercy Parish both fiscally sound and financially healthy.

While financial health is important for any parish so too is spiritual health. So I bring to your attention the many ways you can keep your spiritual life healthy at OLM. Of course, the greatest way to maintain your spiritual health is through regular attendance at Mass. With the addition of another Mass on the OLM schedule on Sundays, getting to Mass is even easier.

You can also keep spiritually healthy by attending Marian Devotions each Monday in October. Join us each week for a prayerful time of reciting the Rosary, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and a brief spiritual talk. It's yet another wonderful way to improve your spiritual life.

Also, I bring to your attention the addition to the OLM Schedule of Monday night Confessions at 6:00PM.

We've added this extra hour of Confessions for those who cannot get here on Saturday afternoons. Remember what Pope Francis has said: "The confessional is not a torture chamber, but the place in which the Lord's mercy motivates us to do better." So please stop by on Mondays for God's mercy and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance.

The renovations of the Church bathrooms should be coming to end. Each bathroom has been redesigned remodeled with new tile, new insulation, new fixtures and new The bathrooms now lighting. have only one toilet each and will now be unisex. There is a privacy lock on the door of each and one has a changing table for our voung families with infants! This project was made possible because of your generous support of the Annual Collection.

The Annual Collection continues to garner support this year. So far just over 300 families have made their donation in support of this important collection. In a parish with 2,200 registered families we still await a gift from many families to reach last year's total of \$100,000. If you have not yet made your donation, please do so by placing blue envelope in collection basket at any Mass.

Thank you for your support. Congratulations to the 93 young adults confirmed this weekend God Bless. Go Sox!!

Father Healey

The Catechism Corner

What would you think about a diet in which all you had to do was to make a firm intention on the first day to lose weight?? That's it! Nothing else! No ex-

ercise, no careful eating, all the Pringles you want! Well, most likely everyone would say that FINALLY the perfect diet had been discovered!! But really--would anyone buy into it?? We all know that suc-



cessful diets have many compo- YEAR OF FAITH 2012 nents and a firm intention is one of them but it is not the only one. Exercise and careful eating have to be integral parts and Pringles ARE NOT! As "wacko" as that diet might sound, there probably would be a few takers--those who always look for the easy way out. But soon, they would realize that diets just doesn't work that way--the evidence would be all around them! There are people though who try this "initial intention" approach in how they live their spiritual lives. "I did all that stuff when I was a kid." "I used to pray the Rosary all the time when I was younger." "I went to Confession enough in school to last me the rest of my life." Isn't this approach just like that fad diet?? What about the daily routine of the spiritual life?? What about daily conversion?? think of conversions being life-changing events and indeed they are but what about the daily call to conversion--that daily call to a change of life so that our life might be in greater conformity to Christ's own life?? Daily conversion is as necessary for our spiritual health just as daily exercise and good eating habits are necessary for our physical health. And how do we "convert" each day? "Conversion is accomplished in daily life by gestures reconciliation, concern for the poor, the exercise and defense of justice and right, by the admission of faults to one's brethren, fraternal correction, revision of life, examination of conscience, spiritual direction, acceptance of suffering, endurance of persecution for the sake of righteousness." These are the spiritual "work-outs" that keep us always in perfect shape. It's not a list of "either/or" choices. When we go to the gym we should try all of the exercises and not just the ones we like or are used to. The key to spiritual health, just as it is for physical health, is the daily routine that we choose. That's why the best sign for any gym might be the reminder: "Taking up one's cross each day and following Jesus is the surest way of penance." Don't try the next fad diet and think that "initial intention" is all you need, check it **out** in the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1435 and find out just how good a daily work-out can be!



September 29, 2013

Weekly	\$12,224.00
Weekly EFT	\$760.00
Annual (To date)	\$47,570.50
Outreach	\$366.00

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.

Thank you for your generosity!

Second Collections

This Week: Seminarian Education Next Week: Building & Grounds

Thanks for your support!



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday—Legion of Mary at 7:00PM Thursday—OLM Book Club at 7PM in School Library

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



We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of Our Lady of Mercy Parishioners, Rosemary C. Lusignan and Margaret Black whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated here last week.

May they rest in peace.



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

OLM Religious Education Schedule 2013-2014 RE Grades 1—5

Sundays 10:00AM—11:00AM All Classes meet this week.

RE Grades 6—8

Sundays 6:00PM-7:00PM

No Classes This Week for Grades 6-8 due to Confirmation Celebration for 9th Grade.

No RE Classes next weekend due to the Columbus Day Holiday. All classes resume weekend of October 20th.

RE Teacher Formation Class following October Devotions Monday, October 6th in the School Gym.



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.



Calling all High School OLM Parishioners, mark your calendars for our next meeting on Sunday, October 13th following the 5:00pm Sunday Mass. Join us for our Opening Meeting. Pizza to be served. For more information contact Fr. Connors at the Parish Office at 884-4968 or via email at associatepastor@olmparish.org



October Devotions

Mondays at 7:00PM

Join us for Rosary with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Talk.

Monday, October 7th

Mary, Mother of The Eucharist—Fr Bernard Healey

Monday, October 14th
Our Lady of the Rosary—Fr Ryan Connors

Monday, October 21st

Why the Immaculate Conception Matters—Fr. Joseph Upton, Chaplain, The Prout School, Assistant Pastor of St Francis, Wakefield

Monday, October 28th

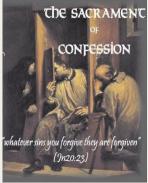
Devotion to Mary and the Assumption—Fr Michael O'Connor, OP Adjunct Professor at Providence College



Catholic Scouting Awards

Any Boy Scout or Girl Scout wishing to learn more about their faith in working on the Catholic scouting awards for their age group, please contact Jane Burley at rhaja-jane@cox.net The following are the awards and age of the scout for the local medal: Boy

Scouts: Light of Christ age 6-7 years Cub Scout, *Parvuli Dei* age 8-10 years Cub Scout, Light of Christ age 12-13 years. Girl Scouts: Family of God grade 2-3 and I Live My Faith grade 4-5. National Award given at Cathedral on Scout Sunday: Boy Scouts: *Ad Altare Dei* age 13-14 years, Pope Pius XII age 15 years and older. Girl Scouts: Mary-the First Disciplegrade 7-10 and The Spirit Alive- grade 9-12



Beginning on Monday, October 7th a second opportunity for the Sacrament of Confessions will be added to the OLM Schedule. Confessions will be heard each Monday from 6:00PM until 6:45PM as well as on Saturdays from 4:00PM until 4:45PM.

"The confessional is not a torture chamber, but the place in which the Lord's mercy motivates us to do better." —Pope Francis

Announcing the OLM Book Club

Join Fr. Ryan Connors for a book club discussion of



The Difference God Makes:
A Catholic Vision of Faith,
Communion, & Culture
by Cardinal Francis George, OMI
Archbishop of Chicago

The OLM Book Club will meet Thursdays beginning on October 10th in the OLM School Library. For more information or to obtain the book for the OLM Book Club, please contact Fr. Connors at 884-4968 or via email at

Attention All OLM Attorneys!! The St. Thomas More Society of RI invites you to attend the

Annual Red Mass Celebration Wednesday, October 9th at 5:00PM Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul



The annual Red Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 9th at 5:00 P.M. in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul in Providence. The Most Rev. Robert Evans, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Providence, will be the main celebrant with other clergy concelebrating. The Most Reverend

Robert P. Deeley, Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of Boston, will be the guest homilist. The celebration of the Red Mass provides members of the judicial and legal community and other areas of public service the opportunity to come together for the purpose of invoking God's blessing and guidance. Everyone is invited to attend this special celebration. A light reception will follow in the Cathedral Hall.



Bishop Hendricken High School Open House

BHHS will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 20th from Noon-3:00PM. Information on admissions and financial aid as well as academics, college placement, athletic and extracurricular activities will be available. For more information, please call Admissions Office at 739-3450 ext 162



OLM School News

- We are in need of Lunch Monitors for OLM School. If you are available at lunch time during the week and willing to volunteer to help contact the school at 884-1618. A great opportunity for retirees or grandparents!!
- •Holiday Shopping Night, Thursday December 5th: We are excited to announced Our Lady of Mercy School's 1stannual 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



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