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# THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 29, 2023

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28**

The Mass of the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Jeanne Scott—Birthday Remembrance

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29**

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Raymond G. Rao—Memorial
9:00AM Virgil Iacobucci—5th Anniversary
10:30AM Mary & Annie Daly—Memorial
5:00PM Confirmation Mass

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 30**

Weekday

7:30AM Rodolphe Lincourt—Memorial

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31**

Weekday

7:30AM John E. Gardner, Jr.—Memorial Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of All Saints 5:00PM Sondra J. Cataliano—Memorial

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

The Solemnity of All Saints

7:30AM John Duffy, Jr.—11th Anniversary
9:00AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
7:00PM Michael R. Truppa—Birthday Remembrance

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

All Souls Day

7:30AM Christopher Angelo—20th Anniversary 9:00AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy 12:00PM Thomas J. Reilly—Memorial

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Weekday; St. Martin de Porres, Religious 7:30AM The Souls in Purgatory

#### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:30AM Anthony J. Paolino, Sr.—Memorial

The Mass of Anticipation for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00PM Steve Simms—Memorial

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Evelyn & Michael Simon—Memorial

9:00AM Michael Braun—Memorial

10:30AM Deceased Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

5:00PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy



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# Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

On Sunday evening, we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for fifty OLM young adults. It is a great occasion of joy and hope for OLM Parish and the Church. It is an important faith milestone for these young people and their families.

We offer prayerful congratulations to the OLM 2023 Confirmation Class and our gratitude to their parents, and families sponsors, for leading them to this important day. We also thank their many teachers who helped to prepare them for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please pray for the newly Confirmed. May the Holy Spirit guide and protect them!

This week, we celebrate two important dates on the Church Calendar: All Saints Day and All Souls Day. All Saints Day is a holy day of obligation for Catholics. Four Masses are scheduled: Mass of Anticipation on Tuesday, October 31, at 5:00p.m. Masses and on Wednesday, November 1, at 9:00a.m., 7:30a.m., School Mass, and 7:00 p.m.

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. The holy day was eventually established on November 1 by Pope Gregory III in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints.

Saints are those "persons in heaven (officially canonized or not), who lived heroically virtuous lives, offered their life for others, or were martyred for the faith, and who are worthy of imitation." When we pray the Apostles' Creed, we say, "I

believe in...the communion of saints." The communion of saints is made up of men and women who have placed their hope in Jesus Christ and, through Baptism, are his adopted sons and daughters.

In a very special way, on the Solemnity of All Saints, we pray to our patron saints and call upon our departed brothers and sisters whom we believe are already with God. We are all called to be saints ourselves so we may attain heaven. Pope Benedict XVI said of All Saints Day:

"This, then, is the meaning of today's Solemnity: looking at the shining example of the Saints to reawaken within us the great longing to be like them; happy to live near God, in his light, in the great family of God's friends. Being a Saint means living close to God, to live in his family."

All Saints and All Souls comprise the two-day celebration of the Communion of Saints – those who are with God in heaven and those on their way to heaven. On the Solemnity of All Saints, November 1, the Church celebrates those Christians who achieved spiritual maturity and attained heaven.

The next day is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) as the Church remembers and prays for the faithful departed. We remember all our brothers and sisters who have died marked with the sign of faith. Particularly, we pray for all the souls in purgatory and those without anyone to pray for them.

Join us in praying for All Souls at Masses on Thursday at 7:30a.m., 9:00a.m., and

12:00p.m. Following our 9:00a.m. Mass, our OLM School Middle School Students process to St. Patrick Cemetery to pray for all the souls resting in that sacred ground, especially those with no one to pray for them.

As we begin November, a month dedicated to praying for the dead, we also celebrate a Mass for our fellow parishioners who have died over the last year. Next Sunday at 10:30a.m. Mass, we pray for the repose of their souls and the consolation of their families suffering in sorrow. Their families have been invited to the Mass, so join us and pray with and for them.

Before her death, St. Monica told her son, St. Augustine: "Bury my body wherever you will; let not care of it cause you any concern. One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be."

Let us remember our beloved dead, the souls in purgatory, and those with no one to pray for them at the altar of the Lord. St. Pope John Paul II said: "Praying for the souls in purgatory is the highest act of supernatural charity"

We thank Bishop Henning for celebrating the Confirmation Mass. We offer our congratulations and best wishes to the OLM Confirmation Class! Pray for them that they remain with Christ and His Church. See you on the All Saints Holy Day. Pray for the souls in purgatory. Do good. Be well. God Bless.

Father Healey

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# St. Charles Borromeo: November 4 Bourbon Infused Apple Butter

St. Charles Borromeo was born in the mid-16th century to a prominent Italian family. His mother was a member of the House of Medici, and his father was the Count of Arona. At an early age, he dedicated himself to service to the Church. His uncle, Pope Pius IV, called him to Rome as an assistant and advisor to him, making him a cardinal a month later, at the age of 23. He was ordained to the priesthood at age 25 and a bishop only three months later. He spent much of his episcopacy driving out corruption and restoring integrity to the Church. Much of his time was dedicated to educating clergy and founding seminaries. His tireless work eventually led to illness, and he died at 46. He was canonized by Pope Paul V on November 1, 1610. St. Charles Borromeo is the patron saint of bishops, cardinals, seminarians, and catechists. For an unspecified reason, most likely because of his desire to feed the hungry, he is also the patron saint of apple orchards! A great treat to celebrate this autumn feast day is with this bourbon-infused apple butter. It's great on so many things!

#### **Ingredients**

3 pounds Fuji apples (about 7 medium apples), peeled, cored, and cut into 1/2-inch pieces (about 10 cups)

4 cups fresh (100% apple) unsweetened apple cider

1/2 cup granulated sugar

4 ounces of bourbon

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

#### **Directions**

Preheat oven to 300°F. Stir together apples, apple cider, sugar, bourbon, cinnamon, salt, and ginger in a high-sided 10-inch stainless steel skillet. Bring to a boil over medium -high. Cook, uncovered, stirring occasionally, until apples are very soft, about 20 minutes. Remove from heat. Using an immersion blender, process the apple mixture until smooth, 1 to 2 minutes. Scrape down the sides of the skillet with rubber spatula. Transfer skillet to preheated oven. Bake, uncovered, stirring every 30 minutes, until mixture is very thick, glossy, and reduced to about 3 cups, 3 – 3.5 hours. Stir in lemon juice and let cool at room temperature for 1 hour. Cover and chill for at least 4 hours. Lasts for 2 weeks



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Sunday, November 5 Sunday, December 3

**First Communion Class Schedule** 

#### 2024 Confirmation Class Schedule

Sunday, November 19 Sunday, December 10 Sunday, December 17

For questions and more information please contact Mr. Jeremy Long, Director of Faith Formation at 884-4968 or email at faithformation@olmparish.org



- •OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food items and paper goods for the members of our local community. Please place all donated items in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House. All food items should be unexpired and non-perishable. We also are in need of paper goods (paper towels, napkins). Thank you for your support.
- <u>OLM Bereavement Group</u>: Our next meeting is on <u>Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 4:00pm</u> in Mercy House. All those adults experiencing sorrow, grief or loneliness are most welcome to attend for prayer and discussion.
- For more information, please contact the OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 401-884-4410 or via email at outreach@olmparish.org



#### Calendar

- Wednesday, November 1: All Saints Holy Day School Mass at 9:00am
- Thursday, November 2: Middle School All Souls Day Mass & Procession to St. Patrick Cemetery at 9:00am; Grades 3-5 Field Trip to Gillette Stadium
- Friday, November 3: Middle School Dance 6:30-8:30 pm

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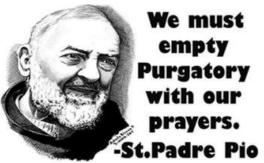




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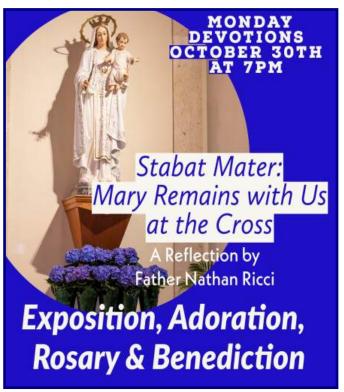
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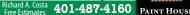






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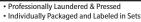


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