

† MASS SCHEDULE **†**

Weekend

Saturday Mass of Anticipation......4:00 PM Sunday Mass.....7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM (Sept—May)

Daily

Monday - Friday7:30 AM		
Saturdays & Legal Holidays8:30 AM		
Holy Day		
Event on Christman & Now Verre		

Except on Christmas & New Years

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

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The Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time 🛚 November 10, 2019

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 the parish 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 and before surgery.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Please contact one of the parish priests or the Office of the Director of Vocations at 401-331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Mrs. Sandra A. Demers, Parish Secretary Email: parish@olmparish.org Phone: 401-884-4968

The Very Reverend Bernard A. Healey, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor The Reverend Joshua A. Barrow, S.T.L., Associate Pastor

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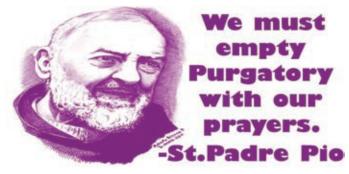
Mass Intentions por the Mach

THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 10, 2019

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

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Mass of Ant	icipation for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM	Miriam Gossmann-Memorial
SUNDAY, N	OVEMBER 10
The Thirty-S	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM	Hope Silva—Birthday Remembrance
9:00 AM	Joan Montaquila—19th Anniversary
10:30AM	Dina Coelho—Memorial
5:00PM	The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
MONDAY, N	IOVEMBER 11 — VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY
Saint Martir	n of Tours, Bishop
8:30AM	For All Veterans
TUESDAY, N	IOVEMBER 12
St. Josaphat	, Bishop &Martyr
7:30AM	Wanda Zwolinski—Memorial
WEDNESDA	Y, NOVEMBER 13
St. Francis X	avier Cabrini, Virgin
7:30AM	Monsignor William I. Varsanyi—Memorial
THURSDAY,	NOVEMBER 14
Weekday	
7:30AM	Bishop Robert E. Mulvee—Memorial
FRIDAY, NO	VEMBER 15
Saint Albert	the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
7:30AM	Deborah Anderson—Memorial
SATURDAY,	NOVEMBER 16
Weekday; S	t. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin; BVM
8:30AM	Brian, Clarence, & Noella Larocque—Memorial
Mass of Ant	icipation for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM	Sue Carcieri—1st Anniversary
SUNDAY, N	OVEMBER 17
The Thirty-T	hird Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM	The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
9:00 AM	Deborah & Robert C. Anderson—Memorial
10:30AM	Thomas F. McAndrew—14th Anniversary
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Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

This weekend we mark Veterans Day, a national holiday that originated as "Armistice Day" on November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11th became a national holiday beginning in 1938.

Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans—living or dead—but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

Here at OLM we mark Veterans Day with Holy Mass on Monday at 8:30am. This Mass is offered for all veterans, living and deceased, in thanksgiving for their sacrifice and service to our nation and our freedom.

That includes, especially, the freedom to practice our faith. This freedom does not come without cost. So we pray with gratitude for all veterans and those men and women who put their lives on the line to preserve our freedom.

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to those killed in the line of duty, those still suffering from the effects of their wounds from serving the nation's call, and, of course, all those who have retired from active duty. Let us remember those who have sacrificed so much to serve our nation in our prayers and with gratitude on Veterans Day and always.

Please be sure to join us on Veterans Day for Mass. There is no better way to pray in thanksgiving for our veterans. Following the Mass the Annual Veterans Day Parade commences in East Greenwich.

I hope you get a chance to attend and thank the many veterans who march in it. Veterans Day is a special day to remember, to give thanks, to pray, and to salute those who serve and have served our nation. As we honor our noble veterans, recall the words of President Ronald W. Reagan: "Some people spend an entire lifetime wondering if they made a difference in the world. But veterans don't have that problem."

This weekend at OLM, along with parishes across the nation, we have a unique opportunity to support Catholic ministry in the U.S. military and Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers by giving to a first-ever, special collection at Sunday Mass in support of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS).

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) approved this national special collection last year and it is to be taken up once every three years beginning this year. The collection is timed to coincide with Veterans Day each year.

The Archdiocese of Military Services was established by St. Pope John Paul II in 1985. It serves millions of Catholics across the globe providing Catholic priests who serve as chaplains in the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, the service academies and the VA.

There are some 1.8 million American Catholics worldwide who depend on over 1,000 Military Service priests for their spiritual care, the celebration of the sacraments, and their regular practice of the faith. The Military Archdiocese receives no funding from the government, and all weekly collections at U.S. military chapels must be distributed according to military funding rules, so private donations are the sole means of survival for the archdiocese. I know you will be generous in supporting our military chaplains and the many active duty Catholics who serve across the globe. There is no envelope for this collection, so simply mark your check AMS. In the name of our chaplains and the military personnel they serve, I offer my profound thanks for your support.

The Our Faith, Our Future Capital Campaign is off to a great start as over \$400,000 has been pledged toward our \$2 Million goal. This campaign is vital to advancing the good work of our parish and providing for the future of our faith here in East Greenwich.

We recall the sacrifice of veterans this weekend, let us also recall the generations of faithful parishioners who sacrificed to make OLM the tremendous family of faith She is today. With this in mind, we ask every parishioner to pray for the campaign and consider what sacrifice they are willing to make for Our Faith and Our Future.

Happy Veterans Day! Be well. Do good. God Bless America! Oremus pro invicem!

Father Healer

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What are the Four Last Things?

During the month of November we pray more fervently for the souls in purgatory to help them get ready for heaven. Hence it is an appropriate month to explain the Four Last Things. In Catholic theology the Four Last Things refers to Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell. We study these realities under the branch of theology known as Eschatology. Our spiritual lives should include regular meditation on these realities. In any journey, it's important to remember your destiny to know that you are going the right way. When we consider the most important parts of our lives, at the top of that list, should be the Four Last Things. What happens to our immortal souls at death is of utmost importance.

Every human being possesses an immortal soul and a mortal body. Hence every human being will experience death. No one gets out of this life alive. Prior to our bodily deaths, we are open to either accepting or rejecting the divine grace offered through Christ. Once we die, our lives are eternally destined for either heaven or hell. Particular judgment on a soul happens immediately after death. God judges a soul based on his or her faith and works. As the Catechism states, "Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven-through purification or immediately, or immediate and everlasting damnation." The final judgment occurs at the end of time. This is not a second chance for souls. Instead God brings to fulfillment His kingdom.

Those who die in God's grace (in a state of grace), having chosen Him and heaven, begin their journey to heaven. If the person has attachments to sin or imperfections, these are removed in purgatory. Heaven is the blessed communion with God and all who are in Christ. This is beyond all understanding and description, albeit we get glimpses of it in the goodness and truth we find here on earth.

We cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love him. Grave sin (mortal sin) is the manifestation of freely choosing not to love God and neighbor. To die in mortal sin without repenting and accepting God's merciful love means remaining separated from Him and neighbor for all eternity. We call this state "hell." A person in hell freely chooses it. God predestines no one to go to hell.

Weekly Collection

November 3, 2019

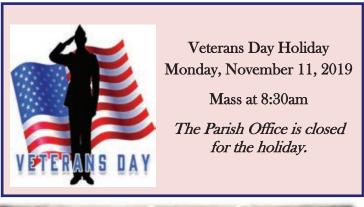
Weekly	\$11,809.00
EFT	
	Total=\$13,171.00
Outreach	\$1,467.00
Building & Grounds	\$3,545.00
All Saints	\$2,861.00
Annual (to date),	\$91,042.00

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 Support! May God Bless Your Generosity!

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

<u>Second Collections</u> This Week: Military Services Archdiocese





We offer our prayerful condolences to the family of **Karen L. Fernstrom** whose Funeral was celebrated last week.



• No RE classes this weekend due Veterans Day Holiday. All classes resume next weekend.



• **OLM Food Pantry** is always in great need of non-perishable food items. Please leave all items in the Food Box in the vestibule.

• OLM Bereavement Group meets Thursday, November 21st at 4:00PM in Mercy House. All those experiencing grief or loss are welcome to join us for prayer, discussion and support.

• For more information about OLM Outreach, please contact OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 884-4410 or by email at outreach@olmparish.org



Upcoming Dates to Remember:

• Monday, November 11: No School due to Veterans Day Holiday.

•Tuesday, November 12: Weekly School Mass at 8:15am

•<u>Thursday, November 14:</u> Connected Generations Assembly for 5th-8th Graders at 1:15pm

• Friday, November 15: Middle School Dance at 6:30

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OLM Young Families Meeting Thursday, November 14, 2019 5:30—7:00PM, OLM School Cafeteria

All young families are most welcome to come to our first meeting of the OLM Young Families group. OLM Young Families is a group dedicated to providing a place for families to come together, learn about important topics of the faith and family life, and a time to come together to support one another.

Pizza served for dinner! Baby-sitting provided!

Join us! All families with young children are most welcome to come join us!

For more information or just to learn more about our group contact Coordinator Kate Jelinek at: Kate_Jelinek@hotmail.com





OLM Rosary Makers Monthly Workshop

Tuesday, November 12 9:30 - 11:30 AM OLM Cryroom

Materials and instructions provided .Join us in making rosaries for the missions.



Our Lady Parish invites you Mercy join our of to active Praver Chain. The power of prav 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 directly 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!

Coping with Grief during the Holidays

The Office of Life and Family will offer a special workshop, "Coping with Grief during the Holidays," which will be held at Our Lady of Loreto Church, 346 Waterman Ave., on



Monday, Nov. 18, 6:30 - 8 p.m., at the rectory (side door, downstairs). Coping with grief during the holidays can be a time of great sorrow and apprehension. Many struggle with pain, loss, and feelings of emptiness, as well as countless other difficult thoughts

and emotions. This workshop is designed to help those who are grieving to begin to heal and establish healthy ways to cope during the holidays with meaning, love and purpose, all within the light of the Catholic faith. This workshop is free and for adults only. Pre-registration is required. Please contact: Peter A Magnotta, LICSW at 421-7833, ext. 217, or email at Pmagnotta@dioceseofprovidence.org



Honoring All Veterans on Veterans Day

We thank you for your service and sacrifices. We are forever grateful!



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