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#### THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 15, 2023

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 14**

The Mass of Anticipation for 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00PM Michael Alix—Memorial

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Josefina Maligaya—Memorial 9:00AM John Carne—1st Anniversary 10:30AM Gene & Mary Verri—Memorial

5:00PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Parish

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 16—MLK HOLIDAY

Weekday

8:30AM Norman Murtha—43rd Anniversary

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 17**

St. Anthony, Abbot

7:30AM Special Intention

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Weekday

7:30AM Jeanne Toole—Memorial

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Weekday

7:30AM John, David & Louise Kiernan—Memorial

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Weekday; St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

7:30AM Tony Mallozzi—Memorial

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 21**

St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

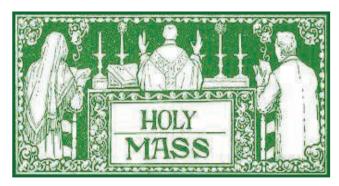
8:30AM Agnes Mahoney—Birthday Remembrance
The Mass of Anticipation for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM Ellen Simms—Memorial

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 22**

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Fay Masterson—Memorial

9:00AM Jeanne M. Selwyn—22nd Anniversary 10:30AM Margaret M. Healey—35th Anniversary 5:00PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy



### Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

On Monday morning, Fr. Mahoney and I were able to commiserate together. His Green Bay Packers and our New England Patriots football seasons ended on Sunday! Now we look forward to pitchers and catchers reporting for Red Sox Spring Training in February. But the state of the Red Sox roster is uncertain! However, we continue to root for the PC Friars, the Boston Bruins and OLM CAL Basketball!

Also, on Monday, we heard from more parishioners that their monthly budget envelopes have not yet arrived. This is a problem for many area parishes as they report the same thing. Every year after Christmas, this postal delivery problem arises.

The budget envelopes have been sent out and should have arrived. However, there is a delay in the delivery, and the U.S. Postal System is the culprit, not OLM or the budget envelope company! So, if you still need your receive budget envelopes, inform your mail carrier and notify the local postmaster. Since the U.S. Postal System is a federal agency, I urge you to call Congressman Magaziner to seek assistance.

The low total for the Building and Grounds Collection last week reflects the problem. There were few envelopes in the second collection. This is because many parishioners didn't have the Building and Grounds envelope.

If you do not have a budget envelope, you can place a check or use a plain envelope and write your name, address, and budget number on both.

Then place them in the collection baskets or in the safe in the vestibule.

You might also consider giving online through Parish Giving. It is easy, safe, and secure and assures the fiscal stability of the weekly collection. We currently have 190 families using the Parish Giving and about 795 who use the regular budget envelopes. You can set it up by clicking the Parish Giving link on our parish webpage.

The Monthly Building and Grounds Collection defrays maintenance costs and funds many unforeseen projects that routinely arise. Last week a pump in our Church Boiler gave out, and the new part costs \$2,500! Thankfully Paul Anderson, our Physical Plant Director, can install the part himself. We are always grateful for his great work at OLM.

Monday also brought some good news to OLM! Our long-awaited new church doors are scheduled to be installed this week. After long delays with the manufacturer and other supply chain issues, the doors are now here in Rhode Island and ready for installation.

There are a total of 18 doors to be replaced in both the Church and Rectory. The doors are made of mahogany wood and were made by Cleary Millwork of Troy, New York, a leading door manufacturer for New York and New England founded in 1939. The Chirico Construction Warwick Company in is preparing the doors for installation and will install them.

The architect for the entire project is Mark Saccoccio of Saccoccio & Associates. Also, two OLM Parishioners, John

Rocchio of Rocchio Construction and Bob Manocchia, who retired from the Gilbane Construction, have volunteered to help oversee the project along with Paul Anderson.

The project is funded by Grateful for God's the Providence Capital Campaign. I thank you for your generous support of the campaign. As you know, the doors are nearly sixty years old and do not work very well. The new doors will match and have a beautiful design, and the main church doors will have beautiful stained glass, as do the current doors. This project is long in coming, and we await its completion with ioyful anticipation.

As we fix our church boiler, I am reminded of the Keep the Heat On Assistance Program. It is a great work of our Diocese initiated by Bishop Tobin. Over the years, it has given millions of dollars to help thousands of people afford their heat in the cold winter.

I hope we can aid this great charity with our OLM Outreach. Any monies collected in January for OLM Outreach will go to the Keep the Heat On Program. If you want to help, make a check payable to OLM and write KTHO in the check memo or envelope. Thank you for being so supportive of this commendable charity.

Mark your calendar for the OLM School Open House on Sunday, January 29th. Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless!

Father Healey

### **A** Ordinary Time Weekdays

THE LECTIONARY for Ordinary Time weekdays contains a meticulous series of readings. Each year begins with a nearly complete presentation of Mark's Gospel proclaimed over nine weeks. The remaining weeks divide nearly evenly between Matthew and Luke. These focus on the unique stories not found in Mark. (Significant passages from John's Gospel are heard during the second half of Lent and throughout Easter Time.)

The First Readings spread over a two-year cycle. They present books of the Old and New Testaments in alternation. These are semi-continuous readings: The principal passages of each book are heard in sequence, but not the complete book.

Year One of the weekday lectionary cycle opens with the Letter to the Hebrews and then moves to the first part of the Book of Genesis. Excerpts from Sirach and Tobit follow. From the New Testament, Second Corinthians is proclaimed. Then a whole series of passages from the bible's historical books tell the record of salvation history. Several New Testament letters come next, followed by a collection of the Minor Prophets. Several weeks are next given to the Letter to the Romans, and the year concludes with Wisdom, Maccabees, and Daniel.

Year Two opens with the historical books concerning the kings of Israel. Then the weekday lectionary turns to a group of New Testament letters. Next, the historical books resume where they left off, and with them come the remaining major and Minor Prophets. More New Testament letters follow, and then some books from the Old Testament's Wisdom Literature. The remaining New Testament letters come next, and the year closes with the Book of Revelation.

Those who heed this sequence at daily Mass or in private prayer will encounter the main passages of the entire bible every two years.

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#### January 1, 2023

Weekly	\$11,577.00
EFT	<u>\$4,450.00</u>
	Total=\$16,027.00
Outreach	\$2,780.00
Holy Day	\$3,187.00
January 2, 2022	
Weekly	\$26,833.00
January 8, 2023	
January 0, 2025	
Weekly	\$8,458.00
Weekly	
Weekly	\$7,685.00 Total=\$16,143.00
Weekly	\$7,685.00 <b>Total=\$16,143.00</b> \$2,079.00
Weekly  EFT  Outreach	\$7,685.00 <b>Total=\$16,143.00</b> \$2,079.00



Leave a Legacy of Faith for the next Generation! Remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will or estate.

#### **Second Collections**

This Week: Catholic University



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!



#### MLK HOLIDAY Monday, January 16, 2023

Mass at 8:30am

The Parish Office is closed for the holiday.



#### **RE Schedule**

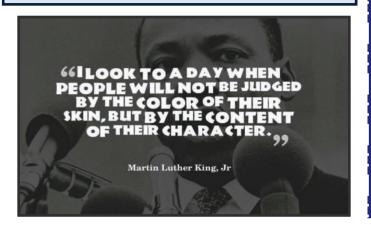
Sunday, January 15: MLK Holiday. No RE Classes.

Sunday, January 22: 5:00pm Mass & Grades 5, 6 & 7

class follows in the OLM School Gym

Sunday, January 29: 9:00am Mass & Grade 3 & 4

Class follows in the OLM School Gym





#### Striving to Be Saints & Scholars!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- Monday, January 16: No School. MLK Holiday
- <u>Tuesday, January 17:</u> Weekly School Mass at 8:15AM
- Wednesday, January 18: Drama Club Session 2
  Begins
- <u>Thursday, January 19</u>: Grades 3-5 Spelling Bee Finals; Beloved Meeting 2:30-3:30PM

Save the Date!
Sunday, January 29
OLM School Open House
10:00am-12:00PM

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- •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>: Next meeting <u>Thursday</u>, <u>January</u> <u>19 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



Tucker John Paquin, and his parents, Nicholas and Alicia.

"Dear brothers and sisters: this child has been reborn through Baptism, and is now called a child of God, for so indeed he is. Through Confirmation he will receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit and, approaching the altar of the Lord, he will share at the table of Sacrifice, and will call upon God as Father in the midst of the Church." — The Rite of Baptism



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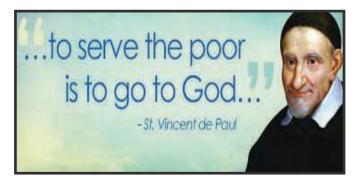
## Keep the Heat On: Help or Be Helped

Now in it's 18th season of helping RI households stay warm



Bishop Tobin recently kicked off this year's Keep the Heat On heating assistance campaign, that helps program struggling families with heating assistance who have exhausted all other public and private means to keep their families warm during the Rhode Island winter. Since 2005,

your generous support has provided more than \$3.9 million in assistance to more than 16,458 Rhode Island households in need. If you would like to help local families this winter, please send tax-deductible donations to: Keep the Heat On, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903 or visit www.heatRI.com to make a secure credit card donation. If you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance, please visit the web site, www.heatRI.com, or call 401-421-7833, ext. 207 for additional information.





In your charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the faithful departed, most especially **Joan Engelman** and **Janice Ruggieri** whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated here last week. Residential Commercial
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