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THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 7, 2021

SATURDAY. NOVEMBER 6

The Mass of Anticipation for the 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time 4:00PM James Riley—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

The Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Cathy Stiglic—Memorial
9:00AM Bernard Falchini—Memorial
10:30AM Donald Guilfoyle—10th Anniversary
5:00PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Weekday

7:30AM Louis Forys

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 7:30AM Mary Macera—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church
7:30AM Robert Germeroth—1st Anniversary

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11—VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
8:30AM For All Deceased & Living Veterans

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

St Josephat, Bishop & Martyr

7:30AM Sue Carcieri—3rd Anniversary

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

8:30AM Mary Calenda—Memorial

Mass of Anticipation for 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

4:00PM Steve Simms—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

The Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Sue Carcieri—3rd Anniversary

9:00AM Deborah & Robert Anderson—Memorial 10:30AM Miriam Gossmann—11th Anniversary 5:00PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy



We must empty Purgatory with our prayers.

St.Padre Pio

Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

We had a festive celebration of All Saints Day on Monday. Our school students and families gathered for Mass as we celebrated the saints. Following the Mass, Bishop Evans blessed the new statue of St. Joseph with the Christ Child.

This beautiful new statue was a gift from the OLM School Class of 2021. We thank them for such a fitting gift for our school and parish, especially as we continue to celebrate the Year of St. Joseph. We are also grateful to Paul Anderson, who ensured the statue was erected quickly and had lights!

Finally, with the "Patris Apostolic Letter corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" to mark the occasion, which concludes on December 8. 2021. At the conclusion of his Letter, he invokes a prayer to St Joseph:

"Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen."

Perhaps we might all offer this prayer as we gaze upon the beautiful statue of St. Joseph night and day. May he guide and protect our parish and school community. St. Joseph, pray for us!

On All Saints Day, we

celebrate the Church Triumphant, which is the Church in Heaven. In the kingdom of God we find the Holy Trinity, the angels and saints, and all those who have reached the fullness of salvation in Christ.

The term "Church Triumphant" underlines the truth that in the glory of Heaven, all human sin will have been transformed, death and suffering will be no more, and the glory of God will have triumphed over all the imperfections of human history.

When the Church canonizes a saint, She confirms they are in Heaven. The Pope does this based on the supplied evidence of a holy Catholic life and the evidence of miracles credibly attributed to the prayers of the saint. Canonization says they are in Heaven now and that any purification they might have needed is complete.

The Church is not thereby indicating that the saint required no time in Purgatory, only that their purgation is now complete and they are in Heaven, as seen by the evidence of the miracles wrought by God through their prayers.

Though we cannot know if, or for how long, a canonized saint might have needed purification in Purgatory, it seems likely that even most canonized saints would need some purgation after death. Even very holy people probably need some final cleansing for the Lord to finish and perfect this awesome promise in us.

The Church Suffering refers to the Church in Purgatory. Purgatory is not a kind of temporary Hell but rather the threshold, the antechamber,

of Heaven.

In Purgatory, all those, whether Christian or not who have entered the gates of death without reaching the full perfection of life. This perfection is represented in Christ, and so they are cleansed in a kind of ongoing baptism and purified by the Holy Spirit's enlightening fire.

The suffering of Purgatory is not one of destruction but the suffering that comes from leaving the old self behind and taking on the new. In November, we pray especially for the Poor or Suffering Souls in Purgatory.

The Church Militant refers to the Church on earth. The term "militant" can suggest an antagonistic relationship between the Church and the world. However, it refers to an authentic reality: that the Church on earth works to overcome the imperfect and sinful dimensions of human existence.

The Church's mission is not to oppose the world and society. Rather it is to work for the transformation of the world by the effective preaching of the Gospel, by the instructive power of good works and the bold witness of the baptized into Christ.

Thus, in faith we ask the Church Triumphant to intercede for us, in hope we pray for the Church Suffering and in charity we are the Church Militant! Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless. Go Pats!!!!

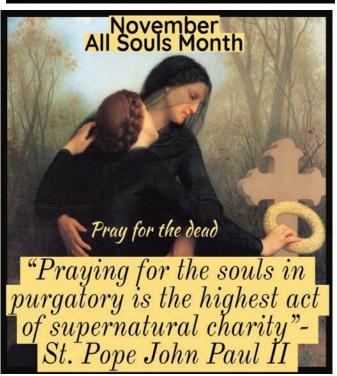
Father Healey



BEGINING THIS SATURDAY

The 5:00PM Saturday Evening Mass at OLM moves to 4:00PM on Saturday, November 6, 2021 until April 2, 2022. Also Saturday Confession time moves from 4:00PM to 3:00PM on Saturday, November 6, 2021 until April 2, 2022. Please plan accordingly.





Ceekly Collection

October 31, 2021

Weekly	\$9,699.00		
EFT	\$5,777.00		
	Total=\$15,476.00		
Outreach	\$1,415.00		
Annual Collection (to date)	\$115,715.00		
October 25, 2020			
Weekly	\$11,238.00		
Annual 2020 Total	\$131,665.00		

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

Second CollectionsThis Week: Building & Grounds



Thursday, November 11, 2021
Mass at 8:30am

The Parish Office is closed for the holiday





RE Calendar of Events

• Sunday, November 7 at 5:00PM:

Mass & Class: First Communion-Grade 2 & Grade 1

• Sunday, November 14 at 5:00PM:

Mass & Class: Grades 3,4,5,6 and 7

Sunday, November 21 at 5:00PM:

Mass & Class for Grade 8

Sunday, November 28:

5:00PM Mass ONLY, No Class due to Thanksgiving

Both Parents & Students must attend Mass & Class.





- •OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food items and paper goods for the members of our local community. Please place all donated NON-EXPIRED AND non-perishable food items only and paper goods in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House. Please do not leave medical supplies. Thank you for your support!
- OLM Bereavement Group: Next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 18 at 4:00PM in Mercy House. All those who are grieving are invited to join with us.
- •For information, please contact the OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 401-884-4410 or email at outreach@olmparish.org



Striving to Be Saints & Scholars!

Calendar of Events

- <u>Tuesday, November 9</u>: Weekly School Mass at 8:15am
- <u>Thursday, November 11</u>: Veterans Day Holiday, No School today!

OLM Student Christmas Market

Saturday, December 4, 2021 2:00PM-3:30PM at Mercy Park

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CONFESSIONS AT OLM

Mondays—6:00PM—6:45PM Saturdays—3:00PM—3:45PM



Confession is the soul's bath. Even a clean and unoccupied room gathers dust; return after a week and you will see that it needs dusting again! St. Pio of Pietrelcina

JOIN IN PRAYING FOR AN END TO ABORTION

The Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization case will be heard on December 1, 2021 by the U.S, Supreme Court. Christians from all different faiths are coming together to pray that this will overturn or weaken Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states. Join in the National Prayer Event on Thursday, November 18. This is an online prayer event for the Dobbs case. The case will be decided June 2022. Please join us in prayer for life!



Online Event Thursday, November 18 at 8 PM (EST)

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