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**THE THIRTEENETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 26, 2022**

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

The Mass of Anticipation for 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM Rosalie Ferruccio—1st Anniversary

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM The Dec'd of the Baldino Family—Memorial
9:00AM John Bucci—12th Anniversary
10:30AM Bruce Hart—Birthday Remembrance

MONDAY, JUNE 27

Weekday; St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
7:30AM Special Intention

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
7:30AM Kate Bedard—Birthday Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles
7:30AM In Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

Weekday; The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
7:30AM John E. Gardner—Memorial

FRIDAY, JULY 1

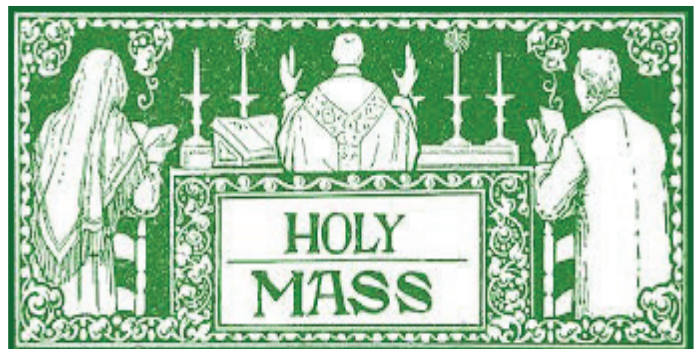
Weekday; St. Junipero Serra, Priest
7:30AM Natalie Tropiano—Memorial

SATURDAY, JULY 2

Weekday; BVM
8:30AM Lillian & Arthur Desmaris—Memorial
The Mass of Anticipation for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, JULY 3

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Beatrice Alfano—Memorial
9:00AM Thomas J. Brescia—Memorial
10:30AM Stephen P. Lynch, Sr.—1st Anniversary





Dear Parishioners:

I thank the many people who made our celebration of Corpus Christi at the 10:30 am Mass so wonderful last Sunday. The Eucharistic Procession to Mercy Park was beautiful, and the sun shined just as we began. Reflecting on the beautiful Mass and procession, I was reminded of the words of St. John Vianney: *"If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy."*

I thank Bishop Evans for celebrating the Mass and leading the procession. Our altar servers did an outstanding job. Our Music Director, Henri St. Louis, and the Choir sang beautifully. We must also thank our canopy bearers who helped us in the procession. As a tribute to Father's Day, we had two Father and Son teams assist us, Anthony and Lucas Caporaso and Brian and Connor Igoe.

We have another celebration today at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul. Bishop Tobin is offering Mass in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Providence. This Mass marks the conclusion of the sesquicentennial celebrations and activities over the last year.

We remember that the first Bishop of Providence, Thomas Francis Hendricken, was born on May 5, 1827, in Kilkenny, Ireland. He arrived as a newly ordained missionary priest in Rhode Island in 1853. He served at various parishes throughout Rhode Island and Connecticut. And he was appointed by Pius IX as the first Bishop of the newly created Diocese of Providence in 1872.

He launched the building

of a new cathedral, and on Thanksgiving Day, 1878, a large block of Kilkenny marble was laid as the cornerstone of the present Cathedral. When he died in 1886, the Cathedral, while yet unfinished, was opened for his Funeral Mass. Bishop Hendricken High School is named in his honor.

Much has changed in the Church and the world since Bishop Hendricken led our Church one hundred fifty years ago. However, the mission of the Church has not changed. We continue to proclaim the Gospel, teach the Catholic Faith, and sanctify the People of God in the Sacraments. The Catholic Church in Rhode Island continues to serve Christ in her many charitable works.

Works like Emmanuel House in Providence, near R.I. Hospital. A homeless shelter run by the Diocese of Providence, it serves over 50 homeless men nightly. It is renovating to create a new space for 30 beds for homeless women.

St. Martin de Porres, the inner-city senior center in the West End of Providence, provides meals, health screenings, nutrition assistance, and social events for the low-income elderly of the area. It, too, is undergoing a renovation to expand its food pantry that serves over 300 families weekly.

Our Diocesan Office of Refugee and Immigration Services received 98 Afghani refugees early this year. They successfully found housing and jobs for them. More Afghani refugees are scheduled to arrive in the fall, as are over 50 additional refugees from Ukraine.

The Keep the Heat On Fund distributed nearly \$500,000 in assistance to over 1,000 low-income families. This Fund assists with heating costs. It is the greatest amount of assistance granted since the program's inception.

Also, the assistance for low-income families through Gabriel's Call is increasing its amount of assistance. And thanks to many of you we have donated much-needed baby diapers, wipes, formula, and food. Thank you for your support.

These charitable works are funded by the Annual Catholic Charity Appeal. As of this date, Our Lady of Mercy has surpassed our parish goal of \$190,000, raising over \$259,000 from 437 families. Again thanks to your tremendous generosity and support, OLM leads the Diocese in donations for the CCA.

Yes, much has changed since 1872 in both the world and the Church, but the faith, hope and charity of Catholics in Rhode Island lives on today. It remains a living witness to the Light of Christ in the world. So let us celebrate our Anniversary and be grateful for God's Providence! Please remember in prayer the generations of faithful Catholics who helped build and serve the Diocese of Providence over these many years. Happy 150th Anniversary!

Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless.

Celebrate Fatherhood



Donations will be collected throughout the month of June

Father's Day Drive for Baby Goods to Benefit Gabriel's Call

Needed Items: Baby Diapers & Wipes
Critically Needed Items: "Unopened and Unexpired" Baby Formula & Baby Food

Gabriel's Call is a charitable work of the Diocese of Providence to aid Mothers & Unborn Children in Need

Please leave donated items in Bins in the OLM Church Vestibule

Financial Donations can be made by check payable to OLM Outreach. Mark "Baby Drive" in the memo line.

Pray For Our Deceased




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In your charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the faithful departed most especially who **Geraldine Clarke** and **John B. Brennan** whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated here last week.

Divine Mercy Chaplet



Join us every Friday at 3:00PM as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet in OLM Church before the Our Lady of Mercy Altar and Shrine.



The flowers at the Marian Shrine are donated in loving memory of John M. DeGiulio, Sr. In your charity, please pray for the gentle repose of her soul.

Weekly Collection

June 19, 2022

Weekly.....	\$7,686.00
EFT.....	\$5,559.00
	Total=\$13,245.00
Outreach.....	\$1,862.00

June 20, 2021

Weekly.....	\$22,215.00
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Second Collections


Next Week: Building & Grounds

Every penny counts!



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

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



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2022 OLM Goal=\$190,000

OLM Total to Date= \$ 259,928

OLM Total Donors to Date=437

Average Gift Per Person=\$595

Thank You!

OLM PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Parish Office is closed Fridays during June, July & August.





Feast of Saints Peter and Paul – Swordfish Kabobs

On June 29th, the Church celebrates the Feast Saints Peter and Paul. St. Peter, the fisherman, who was called by our Lord on the shore to leave his life as fisherman to become one of the first Apostles, along with his brother Andrew, and to be “fishers of men”. It was Peter that the Lord entrusted with the keys to paradise and is “the rock” on which the Church is built. St. Paul, born in Tarsus in modern day Turkey, was a Roman citizen who for so long persecuted the early Christians until the fateful day in which Jesus called him to stop persecuting Him. His tireless work of evangelization, including writing much of the New Testament, brought the Gospel message to the far corners of the world. These two great saints are celebrated together each year. St. Peter with his unshakable faith and St. Paul’s freedom and courage to be open to the Holy Spirit continues to change the world. Together they are the patron saints of the Diocese of Providence! This month’s recipe comes from combining Peter’s influence as a fisherman with the flavors of Paul’s homeland of Tarsus.

Ingredients

For the Marinade:

- 20 mint leaves
- 2 medium cloves of garlic, minced
- ¼ cup fresh lime juice
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1tsp. kosher salt
- Pinch of ground cumin
- 1 cup neutral oil (grapeseed works well)

For the Kebabs:

- 8 wooden skewers
- 2lbs. Swordfish (or another firm white fish can be substituted), skin removed, cut into 1 ½ inch cubes

For the Garnish:

- 1 Cup Pistachios, chopped
- ½ Red Onion. sliced very thin
- ½ Cup pomegranate seeds

Instructions

Step 1. Soak wooden skewers in water, at least 30 minutes. Step 2. Combine all the marinade ingredients in blender and blend until smooth, then split the marinade equally in two bowls. Step 3. Skewer swordfish (leaving ½ inch between each piece) then cover skewers with half the marinade. Do not marinade longer than 30 minutes! The acid in the lime juice will begin to “cook” the fish. Step 4. Heat grill to 450 degrees. Step 5. Grill skewers 3-4 minutes, flip, and grill another 3-4 minutes, remove, and let rest for 5 minutes. Step 6. Mix all three ingredients for the garnish. Step 7. Place skewers on serving plate, drizzle with other half of the marinade, and top with garnish mixture.



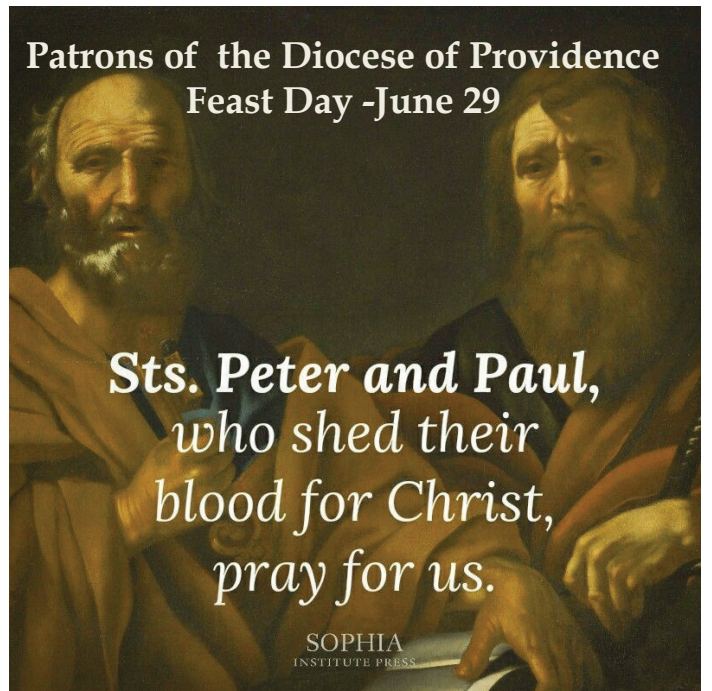
• OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food items and paper goods for the members of our local community. Please place all donated NON-EXPIRED AND non-perishable food items only and paper goods in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House.

• **OLM Bereavement Group: Next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 7, 2022 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 via email at outreach@olmparish.org



**Patrons of the Diocese of Providence
Feast Day -June 29**



THE DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE CELEBRATES

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1872 - 2022

FINAL ANNIVERSARY EVENT

SOLEMN HOLY MASS

Closing our 150th Anniversary Celebration



SUNDAY, JUNE 26 | 1:00 P.M.

Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul, Providence, RI

Join **Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, D. D.**, Bishop of Providence, celebrant and homilist, for this special Solemn Holy Mass marking the closing of the Diocese of Providence's 150th anniversary year celebration in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in the presence of the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, His Excellency, Most Rev. Christophe Pierre, D.D., J.C.D., and other honored guests.

Reception to follow.

Security will be provided.

EVENT DETAILS AT:
dioceseofprovidence.org/150

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