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OLM SCHOOL



THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 21, 2019

SATURDAY, JULY 20

Mass of Anticipation for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM Richard Allen Peterson—Birthday Remembrance
SUNDAY, JULY 21

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church

9:00 AM Evelyn Simon—1st Anniversary 10:30AM Kathryn Piotrowicz—Memorial

MONDAY, JULY 22

St. Mary Magdalene

7:30AM Mariakutty Peter—Memorial

TUESDAY, JULY 23

Weekday; St. Bridget, Religious

7:30AM Bruce Michael Tripode—9th Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

Weekday:St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

7:30AM John Gardner—Memorial

THURSDAY, JULY 25

St. James, Apostle

7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, JULY 26

Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:30AM Martha & Gottloeb Loeffler—Memorial

SATURDAY, JULY 27

Weekday; BVM

8:30AM D'cd. of Mottola & Delvicario Families—Memorial Mass of Anticipation for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00PM Bill Moffitt—1st Anniversary

SUNDAY, JULY 28

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church 9:00 AM Jeremiah O'Connell—Birthday Remembrance

10:30AM Marie Enander—9th Anniversary



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Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

Barrow Fr. and our Summer Seminarian. Dan Mahoney, report that the Steubenville East Youth Conference was a great event. Thousands of young people from across New England and beyond gathered at UMass Lowell for a weekend of faith and fellowship.

Masses were prayerful and joyful, the talks and conferences were challenging and uplifting, and it was truly a time of renewal of faith, joy and hope. Hundreds of priests were in attendance and the Sacrament of Confession was offered for thousands! We thank all those who made this weekend possible!

I hope you get some time this summer to relax, refresh and renew. Pope Francis reminds us about summer, saying: "It's very important that in the time of rest and detachment from daily concerns, to re-energize the forces of body and spirit, deepening the spiritual path."

One way I try to refocus and deepen the spiritual path during these summer days is to do more reading. This summer I am reading a few books. For my spiritual reading I've just begun reading a small book entitled, *The Bishop of the Abandoned Tabernacle*. It is the selected writings from Saint Manuel Gonzalez Garcia.

St. Manuel was a Spanish priest and bishop who after his ordination in 1901, was sent to a church in rural Spain. He found the church to be filthy dirty and abandoned. Praying before a Tabernacle covered in dust, cobwebs and dirty altar cloths, the young priest decided to dedicate his life to serving Jesus

present in the Tabernacle. From that moment in Church, St. Manuel's entire life and ministry was dedicated to spreading devotion to Eucharist. And so he founded a religious community dedicated to the Eucharist. The saintly bishop said: "I ask to be buried next to a Tabernacle, so my bones, after death, as my tongue and my pen in life, are saying to those who pass: There is Jesus! Do not leave Him abandoned!"

I also read just for fun; and so once again when I'm at the beach I'll be reading a mystery novel from the Bruno the Chief series. They are set in rural France and tell the tales of a country policeman who solves mysteries. They are always delightful reads for the beach and highly entertaining.

And with my interest in history I hope to finish up the biography of Charles de Gaulle that I began reading many months ago! It is a massive book full of details, but also very interesting. When it's finished I hope to begin reading historian Rick Atkinson's latest book entitled *The British Are Coming*. It is a history of the early part of the Revolutionary War and received rave reviews.

It is just the first of a trilogy by the historian Atkinson about this important period in American History. He is also the author of a tremendous trilogy on the history of the Second World War. He writes history that is thoroughly readable and I recommend his books.

We give thanks to God the Creator for the summer and the time it provides us to refocus and refresh as we relax and recreate in the warm sun. I hope you find time to sit under a tree, or on a beach, and read a good book. I certainly agree with former U.S. Secretary of Defense, Robert Gates who says: "A wild and crazy weekend involves sitting on the front porch, smoking a cigar, reading a book!" What are you reading this summer?

Next weekend is the Annual Missionary Cooperative Weekend at OLM. Each year missionaries come to the parishes of our diocese to share with us their preaching the Good News in the Missions. It reminds us that we are part of a vast and universal Church and that we are called to support the Missions.

The La Salette Missionaries will be at OLM next weekend at all Masses. Coming to our parish are Bishop Donald Pelletier, a native of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and the retired Missionary Bishop of Morondava, Madagascar, and along with him John and Sharon Markowitz, La Salette Missionaries. They are speaking at all Mases next weekend.

Next weekend's Second Collection is for the La Sallette Missionaries. Please note that there is no envelope for this collection. I thank you in advance for your sincere prayers and generous financial support of the La Salette Missions!

I am away next week at the National Catholic Conference Directors' meeting in Charleston, SC. Be well. Do Good. God Bless! Go Sox!

Father Healey



Dear OLM Parishioners:

I wanted to once again say thank you to all of you for the many best wishes I received over the last few weeks. In particular to the many e-mails, cards and letters I have received expressing good wishes and prayer as I start on a new venture in my life. It is humbling to know that so many of you have mentioned particular times and homilies that have touched you personally.

Please know that I have received much more from you than I could ever have given. My last six and a half years with you has helped me to grow in my relationship with the Lord and I have come to realize that Our Lady of Mercy is a wonderful spirit filled community and I will be forever grateful.

Many have asked where my next assignment may be. That decision has not yet been made but as I have promised I will keep you informed. I ask you to continue to pray for me especially during this time of transition, as I promise to pray for all of you.

May God continue to bless us all and help us to grow in our relationship with Christ and His Church as we journey toward our final goal of everlasting life with our Risen Lord.

Remember you will always hold a special place in my heart.

God Bless,

Deacon John Dowd

Weekly Collection 620800

July 14, 2019

Weekly	\$9,930.00
EFT	\$2,933.00
	Total=\$12,863.00
Outreach	\$945.00

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!

Second Collections
Next Week: Mission Co-op Collection

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



OLM Parish Office for July & August Monday – Thursday: 8:00AM to 4:00PM Fridays: 8:00AM – 12:00Noon

OLM Rosary Makers Monthly Workshop



Tuesday, July 23, 2019 9:30 - 11:30 AM OLM Cryroom

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



Online registration for the 2019-2020 RE Classes

Please go to the parish website & register. Students in Grades 1-8 need to be registered and attend sequentially

Attention 2019 First Communion Parents Photos & Videos of the First Communion Mass are available for pickup in the OLM Parish Office. Please pick up ASAP. Thank you for your cooperation.



- OLM Food Pantry is always in great need of non-perishable food items especially in these summer months. Please leave all items in the Food Box in the vestibule.
- OLM Bereavement Group meets Thursday, August 1st 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



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Grace Marie Healey, and her parents, John and Erin.

"Dearly beloved, this child has been reborn in baptism. She is now called a child of God, for so indeed she is."—The Rite of Baptism



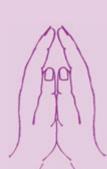
Diocese of Providence's
Annual Celebration of
Wedding Anniversaries
Sunday, September 15, 2019
Mass at 1:00PM
Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul
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Bishop Thomas J. Tobin Celebrant

All married couples celebrating **25th**, **40th**, **50th or Over** wedding anniversaries in 2019 are invited to attend. Mass, renewal of wedding vows, and reception to follow. All couples interested must register at the OLM Parish Office by calling 401-884-4968 by August 16th.

Mass for Those in Recovery

The next Mass for Recovery is to be offered on



Sunday, July 28th at 5 p.m., at St. Barnabas Church, 1697 East Main Rd., Portsmouth, RI. These Masses, to which all are welcome, provide an opportunity for people to come together in faith to seek God's loving kindness and grace with special prayer intentions dedicated for those in recovery. If

you or loved ones struggle with alcohol, drugs, addictions, mental distress, or support folks who suffer from the effects of these issues, you are encouraged to attend. For more information about this Mass, upcoming Masses, or the work of the St. Mathias Ministry, please contact Deacon John, by email at deaconjohn@jsilvia.com.

ABOUT THE SECOND COLLECTION



Mission Co-op Collection in Support of the Missions of Our Lady of La Salette July 27 & 28, 2016

The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette are a Catholic religious congregation of priests and brothers. They are named after the apparition of Our

Lady of La Salette in France. There is also a religious community of sisters called the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of La Salette, and a lay fraternal group of associates who also works in cooperation with the vowed religious. The Missionaries are dedicated to making known the message of Our Lady of La Salette, a call to healing of inner brokenness and personal reconciliation with God, especially as found in the first three commandments. The missionaries are popularly known as "the La Salettes."

The La Salette Congregation has always been

mission orientated. When called upon by the Vatican to preach the Gospel in foreign lands, they eagerly responded. They minister to people of every race, language, culture and way of life



- beginning at the La Salette Shrine in France where our Blessed Mother appeared in 1846. Her final words, "Well, my children, you will make this known to all my people," echo Jesus' Gospel mandate.

This spirit brought them to mission in 27 countries, especially among the poor in Angola, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Haiti, India, Madagascar, Myanmar and the Philippines. With your cooperation, the Missionaries of La Salette can continue to provide spiritual and financial assistance to these mission countries as they bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to the poor.

Next weekend's Second Collection is solely dedicated to the La Salette Missionaries for their good works in the Missions. Checks should be may payable to OLM and all monies collected are to be forwarded to the La Salette Missionaries. We thank your for our prayerful support of the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette and your generous financial contributions in support of their missionary work.

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