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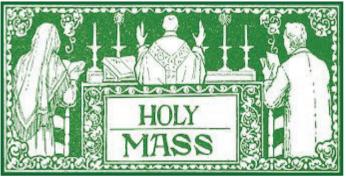
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Mass Intentions for the Week

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 14, 2022

#### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 13**

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The Mass of	Anticipation for 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM	Celestina, Felix & Irene Giorgio—Memorial
SUNDAY, AL	JGUST 14
The Twentie	th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM	Pat Shanley—Memorial
9:00AM	Kathryn & Victor Piotrowicz—Memorial
10:30AM	All Souls—Memorial
MONDAY, A	UGUST 15
The Assump	tion of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:30AM	Dec'd of Mello & Franzone Families—Memorial
<u>TUESDAY, A</u>	UGUST 16
Weekday; St	:. Stephen of Hungary
7:30AM	Vito, Marie, & Thomas Brescia—Memorial
WEDNESDA'	Y, AUGUST 17
Weekday	
7:30AM	Dec'd of the OLM Rosary Group—Memorial
<u>THURSDAY,</u>	AUGUST 18
Weekday	
	Michael Zwolinski—8th Anniversary
FRIDAY, AUG	
	t. John Eudes, Priest
7:30AM	Thomas Sheerin, Jr.—1st Anniversary
SATURDAY,	AUGUST 20
	Abbot & Doctor of the Church
	Connor Bruno—2nd Anniversary
The Mass of	Anticipation for 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM	Thomas Sheerin, Jr.—Memorial
SUNDAY, AL	JGUST 21
The Twenty-	First Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Evelyn & Michael Simon-Memorial
9:00AM	Edward & Olga Sullivan & Camilla & Giovanni Savastano
10:30AM	Jeff Clements—1st Anniversary



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Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

We've been living through some hot and humid weather these last weeks—the "Dog Days of Summer," as they are known. The phrase "Dog Days of Summer" might conjure up images of canines panting in the heat, but the origin of the phrase has to do with the stars.

Historians say the phrase dates back to the ancient Greeks and Romans, who would keep track of the seasons by looking up at the sky. The star Sirius was known as the "dog star" because it made up the nose of a constellation shaped like a dog.

Near the end of July, when Sirius would appear in the sky just before the sun, it marked the beginning of the very hottest days of the year. The Romans referred to this period as "dies caniculares" or "days of the dog star," which was eventually translated as just "dog days."

Now that we've survived the "Dog Days of Summer," it is time to prepare for the upcoming school year! Yes, school is just fifteen days away!! OLM School and East Greenwich Public Schools begin the new school year on Wednesday, August 31. Where did the summer go?

Our enrollment at OLM School has increased this year to over 240 students from last year's 220! It is always a great sign that many families are interested in our school. Most of our elementary grades (Pre-K thru 5) are full with a waitlist for admission. There is still room in our Middle School for more students, so spread the word!

While we said farewell to some of our outstanding faculty members who retired this past June, we have hired excellent new faculty for Middle School Guidance, Math, History, and Theology. In addition, we have outstanding new Pre-K, Technology, and Music teachers.

The tradition of excellence continues at OLM School under the leadership of our School Principal, Patrick McNabb. In the coming weeks, you will be able to support the great work of forming the future saints and scholars of our church and world.

Next weekend we kick off the Annual See You In September Raffle. The tickets are \$100 a piece, and we will be giving away \$10,000 in prizes! All of the proceeds of the raffle go directly to the Saints and Scholars Fund for OLM School.

Also, mark your calendar for the Annual Saints and Scholars Open at Ouidnessett Country Club on Monday, September 26. This tournament is always a great event, with nearly 150 golfers gathering for a great day of golf in support of our budding saints and scholars. Sign-up online with a foursome or come alone, and we'll match you up with other golfers. If you cannot make it, we always need sponsors for Tee Signs!

Our resident golfer in the Rectory, Fr. Mahoney, is very determined to win it all and has been practicing all summer. We'll need some competitive golfers to see if they can beat him and his team! Rumors are that he has a ringer coming!! Rory McIlroy perhaps??!!

And, of course, the coming school year means we are now taking registrations for our Religious Education Program. Over the last couple of years, we have had to modify the program due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

This have year we changed the schedule with the restoration of Sunday morning class for the elementary students (Grades 1-4) and Sunday evening class for middle school (Grades 5-8). The classes are returning to the OLM School as they were before the Pandemic. I urge all families with chidden in non-Catholic schools to register today.

Our parish school and Religious Education Program are vital to our mission of Catholic Education and the well-begin of our parish family. The goal of this mission is simple: to form saints for life in this world and next!

We build upon the great witness and tradition first begun in our parish when Fr. Patrick arrived Lenihan in East 1853. Greenwich in He purchased a small house that served as a rectory, a church, and a school! And while our parish has grown in size and space over these last 170 years, the mission remains the same.

Catholic Education of our children is not about being "socially useful" and instilling "good values" but about making saints and growing the seeds of virtue and truth. Anything less cheats our students of their dignity. So pray for the families and students of our parish school and religious education program. Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless. Go Sox!!!

Father Healer

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### August 15 -Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Fruit and Herb Cobbler

There is a tradition in the Church of planting a Marian Garden in early May to celebrate the Blessed Virgin. On August 15th, the Church celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, three months after the planting of the Marian Garden. The Assumption is that day we celebrate that Mary's body and soul were taken into heaven. There is a tradition from Germanic countries beginning around the 8th century of blessing fruits and herbs during the late summertime in thanksgiving for a bountiful harvest. It would eventually come to be associated with the Feast of the Assumption itself. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI describes Mary as "the first fruits of the new humanity." So on this day, in thanksgiving for the Blessed Mother, the fruit of her womb, and a bountiful harvest, the blessing of fruits and herbs takes place on this feast each year. Here is a Fruit and Herb Cobbler recipe to help celebrate the Holy Day of the Assumption!

#### **Ingredients**

1 ½ Cups fresh or frozen peach slices 1 ½ cups fresh or frozen blueberries ½ cup sugar divided ½ cup butter 1 ½ cups AP Flour 2 ¼ tsp baking powder ½ tsp salt 1 ¼ cups milk 1 tsp vanilla 2 tbs fresh cut basil 2 tbs fresh cut Tarragon

#### **Instructions**

Step 1- Peel and slice peaches, place in bowl and top with ¼ cup sugar. Mix gently and rest for 30 minutes.
Step 2 – Preheat Oven to 350 decrees F. Step 3- Melt butter and pour into 9x13 baking dish. Step 4- In a separate bowl, combine flour, baking powder, salt, and remaining sugar. Then whisk in milk and vanilla. Step 5 – Pour batter evenly over melted butter, do not stir. Step 6- Mix basil and tarragon into fruit mixture, then pour over the batter. Again, do not stir. Step 7- bake for 40-45 minutes until golden brown. Let cool for 15 minutes before serving.



## August 7, 2022

Weekly	\$9,213.00	
EFT	<u>\$4,010.00</u>	
	Total=\$13,223.00	
Outreach	\$2,201.00	
Building & Grounds	\$2,127.00	
<u>August 8, 2021</u>		

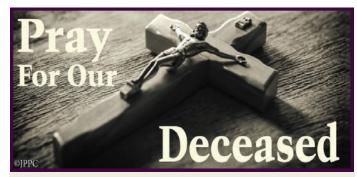
Weekly.....\$11,635.00

# Thank You for Your Generous Support!



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.



In your charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the faithful departed, most especially **Jean Marso Canham** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated here last week.



The flowers at the Marian Shrine are donated in memory of Claire Sharpe. In your charity, please pray for the gentle repose of her soul.



## **RELIGOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION**

Please register your child today online at olmparish.org & download the RE Class Calendar for 2022-2023.

## **2022 Confirmation Schedule**

September 12 & 19: Mandatory Confirmation Interviews Class 2022, 4:00pm-6:00pm

September 24: Mandatory Retreat for Confirmation Class 2022,1:00pm-5:00pm in OLM School Gym & Mass at 5pm October 13: Final Lecture for 2022 Confirmation Class at 7:00pm in OLM Church

**October 17:** Mandatory Devotions and Confessions for 2022 Confirmation Class at 7:00pm in OLM Church. For All Candidates, Parents and available Sponsors

October 20: 2022 Grade 9 Confirmation Class MANDATORY PRACTICE at 7:00pm in OLM Church

#### Sunday, October 23:

Class of 2022 (9th Grade) Confirmation Mass at 5:00PM with Bishop William Byrne of Springfield, MA



• 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 nonperishable 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, August 18, 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



# Striving to Be Saints & Scholars!

## **Upcoming Events:**

•Sunday, August 28: Welcome New OLM School Families Mass at 10:30am with Reception in Mercy Park to follow

Monday, August 29: OLM Faculty Retreat at Christian Brother's Center in Narragansett

•<u>Tuesday, August 30</u>: OLM Faculty Professional Day

•Wednesday, August 31: First Day of School!!
 •Friday, September 2: Opening Mass of the Holy
 Spirit at 9:00am

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"Actually, sir, the rules were chiseled in stone."

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat 'Hope and Healing Support Group'



The Office of Life and Family Ministry of the Diocese of Providence is offering a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat 'Hope and Healing Support Group' on Saturday, August 27, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at St. Pius

V Church, 240 Eaton St., Providence. This support group is specifically designed for women who have gone through a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. For more information and/or to sign up, please contact Lisa Cooley by email at lcooley@dioceseofprovidence.org or call at 401-278-2518. All inquiries confidential.

# Volunteers Needed at Kent Hospital Catholic Chaplain Office



Kent Hospital is recruiting volunteers to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Chaplaincy Volunteers. Individuals who are interested can contact Fr. David Ricard, Kent Hospital Chaplain by phone at 401- 737-7000 x31454 or email at dricard@kentri.org.



# 🗱 Stole

**THE STOLE** is a vestment worn by clergy at a liturgical ceremony. A long strip of cloth several inches wide, it frequently bears tassels, fringes, or designs. It usually bears the color assigned to the feast, season, or occasion—for example, red for a martyr's feast, white for Easter, and purple for the Sacrament of Penance.

A stole distinguishes the diversity of ministries. Deacons wear it over the left shoulder, the two ends joined under his right arm at the hip. The priest and bishop wear it around the neck, the two ends hanging down in front to the knees. Other ministers do not wear the stole.

Some further conventions for how the stole is worn have evolved. At Mass, it is traditionally worn over the alb and beneath the priest's chasuble or the deacon's dalmatic. However, today the stole is often seen on top of these vestments as an embellishment. At services other than Mass, because the chasuble and dalmatic are not worn, the stole stands out plainly over the alb, surplice, or religious habit. Formerly, a priest crossed the two ends in front of his chest while vesting for Mass, but this is no longer required. If the cleric is wearing a cincture (a belt-like rope to bind the alb), it may also secure the stole.

As with other vestments, the stole originated as practical secular wear. The early Greeks wore a long garment called a *stola*. The fourth-century Romans gave the same name to a scarf worn by distinguished citizens as a sign of public honor. By the sixth century, the Church's ministers were wearing the garment, and by the ninth century, it became a requirement.

When cut in a tasteful design and appropriately decorated, the stole will enhance the beauty of the liturgical rite.

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