

The image features a large American flag at the top, with the words "WE REMEMBER" overlaid in a black serif font. Below the flag is a night-time photograph of the New York City skyline, with the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center illuminated in yellow. The date "9.11.01" is written in white serif font over the lower part of the skyline. At the bottom, a quote from Psalm 46:1-2 is written in white serif font.

WE
REMEMBER

9.11.01

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PSALM 46:1-2



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Mass Intentions
for the Week

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

The Mass of Anticipation for the 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time
5:00PM Catherine McKenna—Birthday Remembrance

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Sean T. Healey—7th Anniversary
9:00AM Michael & Josephine DeNittis—Memorial
10:30AM Stephen P. Lynch, Sr. —Memorial

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
7:30AM Deborah O'Connell—Birthday Remembrance

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
7:30AM Nancy Gendron—1st Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Our Lady of Sorrows
7:30AM Dec'd Mmbrs. Of Pundys & Dikinis Families-Mem.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

St. Cornelius, Pope & St. Cyprian Bishop, Martyrs
7:30AM Paul Cienke—Birthday Remembrance

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Weekday; St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
7:30AM Dec'd Members of Pournaras Family—Mem.

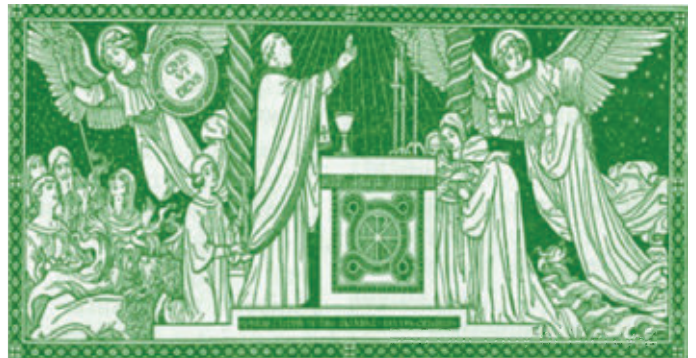
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Weekday; BVM
8:30AM Donna Marie Nerney Marinelli—3rd Anniversary

Mass of Anticipation for 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
5:00PM Dec'd Mmbrs. Of Filippi & Catanio Families-Mem.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:30 AM Bernard Falchini—Birthday Remembrance
9:00AM Alex, Diamond, & Joanne Tagliatela, William & Renate McGlumphy—Mem.
10:30AM Ann M. O'Brien—1st Anniversary





Dear Parishioners:

This weekend we mark the 20th Anniversary of the September 11th attack upon our nation. We remember the tremendous evil that befell our country and profoundly affected so many people. As we remember the dead, let us also pray for those who continue to experience their loss and who yearn for the peace of Jesus Christ.

When we look back to September 11th, 2001, and bring back the overwhelming feelings of abandonment that day and the days soon after, we may very well wonder: "Where was God?" God is not arbitrary. God is not a puppeteer pulling on the strings of life and arbitrarily altering the fates of our loved ones. No, God is love, and we live in a world at times estranged from God through the power of evil and the possibility of sin.

Where was God on September 11th, 2001? He was weeping with us. Just as Jesus suffered the anguish of Calvary and death on the Cross, Jesus was in suffering and pain on September 11th. He was not outside this world managing events and deciding people's fates. Quite simply, on September 11th, Jesus was with us, and He continues to be with us today.

We recall the heroism and honor of firefighters, police officers, and rescue workers. When people ran out of harm's way, they ran towards the crisis, risking their own lives to help others. Their unyielding hope in looking for survivors amid tons of dusty rubble, and, steel showed their true character.

The generous outpouring

of their service is a sign of light in the darkness. People came together on that day. In fact, we remember where we were on September 11, 2001 because we were all together.

It is often said that there are no atheists in foxholes. In the days following the attacks of twenty years ago, people went to churches to pray. I remember well that on the Sunday after the attacks, Masses overflowed with people. They were yearning for hope and meaning, peace and consolation. They were looking for a sense of comfort and a word of hope as they prayed for the fallen and the grieving.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus raises His friend, Lazarus, from the dead. When Jesus arrives in Bethany and finds His friend dead, the Gospel tells us: "And Jesus wept." These three words are a profound sermon on the 20th Anniversary of the September 11th attack, for Jesus wept too on that day.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote this prayer for his visit to the September 11th Memorial in New York:

"O God of love, compassion, and healing, look on us, people of many different faiths and traditions, who gather today at this site, the scene of incredible violence and pain.

We ask you in your goodness to give eternal light and peace to all who died here—the heroic first-responders: our fire fighters, police officers, and emergency workers, along with all the innocent men and women who were victims of this tragedy simply because their work or service brought them here on September 11th, 2001.

We ask you, in your

compassion to bring healing to those who, because of their presence here that day, suffer from injuries and illness. Heal, too, the pain of still grieving families and all who lost loved ones in this tragedy. Give them strength to continue their lives with courage and hope.

We are mindful as well of those who suffered death, injury, and loss on the same day at the Pentagon and in Shanksville, Our hearts are one with theirs as our prayer embraces their pain and suffering.

God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world: peace in the hearts of all men and women and peace among the nations of the earth. Turn to your way of love those whose hearts and minds are consumed with hatred. God of understanding, overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy, we seek your light and guidance as we confront such terrible events.

Grant that those whose lives were spared may live so that the lives lost here may not have been lost in vain. Comfort and console us, strengthen us in hope, and give us the wisdom and courage to work tirelessly for a world where true peace and love reign among nations and in the hearts of all. Amen"

Let us remember this solemn and somber anniversary of September 11th. Let us pray for the fallen, the grieving and for peace. Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless. God Bless and Protect America!

Father Healey

Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Parish



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Saints & Scholars Open



OLM School Golf Tournament
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Register online at olmparish.org

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 7 P.M.



Holy Hour of Mercy
Eucharistic Adoration, Meditative Music & Benediction
Homilist: Fr. Eric Sliva, Associate Pastor of St. Luke Church, Barrington

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 6 P.M.



Work of Mercy
Our Lady of Mercy School
Join OLM Outreach Volunteers in preparing meals
for the hungry & homeless

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24



Feast of Our Lady of Mercy
Patronal Feast Day Mass at 9 a.m.
Celebrant: Bishop Robert C. Evans, Auxiliary Bishop
Homilist: Father James Mary Sullivan, OP,
Pastor of St. Pius V, Providence

OLM Oktoberfest, 5 to 8 p.m.



From 5 - 8 p.m., join us in the Beer Tent at
Our Lady of Mercy School Field for German Beer,
German Food & German Music
See you in September Raffle Drawing!

Weekly Collection

September 5, 2021

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| Weekly..... | \$10,289.00 |
| EFT..... | \$3,465.00 |
| | Total=\$13,754.00 |

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| Outreach..... | \$2,165.00 |
| Building & Grounds..... | \$2,537.00 |

September 6, 2020

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| Weekly..... | \$15,200.00 |
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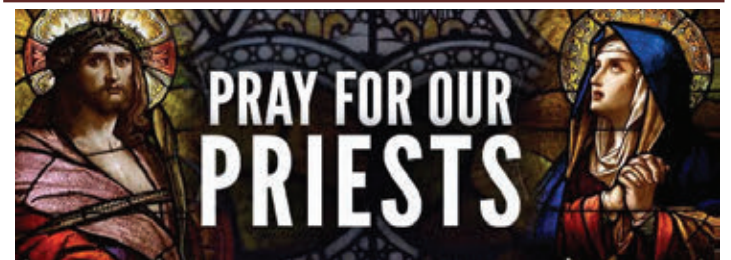
*Please remember Our Lady of Mercy
Church in your will or estate.*

Second Collections

**Next Week:
Priests' Retirement Fund Collection**



*Please help our senior priests
meet their basic needs - such as
food, housing, transportation,
and medical care.*



Religious Education NEWS

Religious Education Registration for Next Year

Registrations are presently being taken on the OLM Parish website for all grades, 1 through 8 for the Religious Education Year 2021 - 2022. **Please register your child today! Thank You!**

Save the Date!!!!

Sunday, September 26th at 5:00PM, Opening Mass for Religious Education Families (All Grades)

Outreach Update

•**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-perishable food items only and paper goods** in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House. **Thank you for your support!**

•**OLM Bereavement Group:** Next Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 16 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

- **Tuesday, September 14:** OLM School Mass at 8:15am. "Back To School Night" for parents & faculty at 6pm
- **Wednesday, September 15:** OLM Cross Country Meet, 5pm – 6pm at Goddard Park

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OLM School's "See You In September" Raffle



Raffle Draw: September 24

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- Grand prize = \$5,000
- 1st prize = \$2,500
- 2nd prize = \$1,000
- 3rd prize = \$1,000
- 4th prize = \$500



**Thank you for supporting our
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*Tee it up
for OLM*

The Saints and Scholars Open

Monday, September 20, 2021
1:00 p.m Shotgun Start
11:30 Lunch/Registration
Quidnessett Country Club

MASS AND A MOVIE

All are welcome to join the OLM Families Group

Following the 5:00pm Mass on

Saturday, September 18th

For a viewing of Pixar's:

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Bring your blankets, chairs, and a picnic dinner
and join us on the OLM School field.

The movie will begin at dusk.



**Join us for Choir Practice on
Wednesday, September 15
at 7:00pm in the Choir Loft.**

For more information
contact OLM Music Director
Henri St. Louis at 401-711-7532



Mass
Schedule
Change

The 5:00PM Sunday Evening Mass at
OLM resumes on Sunday, September
26th. *Please note the later start date.
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