



THE CHURCH OF

Our Lady of Mercy



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† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Mass of Anticipation.....5:00 PM

Sunday Mass.....7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM &
5:00 PM (Sept—May)

Daily

Monday - Friday.....7:30 AM

Saturdays & Legal Holidays.....8:30 AM

Holy Day

Vigil Mass.....5:00 PM

Holyday Masses.....7:30 AM & 7:00 PM

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The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ August 5, 2018

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Mondays at 6:00 PM or by appointment.

Saturdays at 4:00 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second Sunday of the month. Preparation Class is required. Please contact the parish Deacon prior to birth of your child.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact one of the parish priests one year prior to the proposed date of your wedding.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please contact one of the parish priests if you are shut-in, sick, homebound or hospitalized and before surgery.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Please contact one of the parish priests or the Office of the Director of Vocations at 401-331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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Mass Intentions
 for the Week
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**THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 AUGUST 5, 2018**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

The Mass of Anticipation for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Celestina, Felix & Irene Giorgio—Memorial

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00 AM Margaret M. "Peggy" McKnight—Memorial
 10:30AM Kathleen Souls—1st Anniversary

MONDAY, AUGUST 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord
 7:30AM Michael A. Rocchio—1st Anniversary

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

Weekday; St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
 7:30AM Christopher Angelo—Birthday Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

St. Dominic, Priest
 7:30AM Marian Hart—37th Anniversary

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

Weekday; St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr
 7:30AM Mary & Bernard Falchini—Wedding Annv. Remb.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr
 7:30AM Bishop Russell J. McVinney—47th Anniversary

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

St. Clare, Virgin
 8:30AM Edward Verrier—6th Anniversary
The Mass of Anticipation for 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Sharon Dewar—Birthday Remembrance

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

The Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00 AM Laurea & Leo Hackett—Memorial
 10:30AM George Scobie—3rd Anniversary





Dear Parishioners:

Last Sunday we said “Farewell” to our Summer Seminarian Patrick Ryan. His ten weeks with us at OLM have ended and he returns to pursue his studies for the priesthood. We are grateful for his time here and we continue to pray for him, and his vocation to the priesthood. I thank the many parishioners who came to his “Farewell Reception” at Mercy Park last Sunday. Your support of Patrick and your well wishes are appreciated. I also thank the many volunteers who helped organize and prepare the wonderful reception.

Next Sunday at the 10:30AM Mass we welcome OLM Parishioner Laura Makin. She graduated from Providence College this past spring and she enters the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia in Nashville, Tennessee as a postulant in the coming weeks. We will acknowledge her vocation to the consecrated life and pray for her at the Mass. Laura and her family will be in attendance at the Mass celebrated by Bishop Evans. Dominican Father Patrick Mary Briscoe, OP of St. Pius Church in Providence is to preach the Mass. Also joining us at the Mass are other Dominican Friars and some of the Dominican Sisters who serve at St. Pius Church. Please join us in celebrating this great event in Laura’s life and in the life of our parish. There will be a reception following Mass in Mercy Park.

The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia are commonly called the Nashville Dominicans. The Dominican Order was founded 800 years ago by St. Dominic and the Nashville Congregation

was founded in 1860 with the arrival of the first four sisters in Nashville, and the establishment of St. Cecilia Academy. Over their 150 years there has been an great growth in the life and vitality of the young community.

The Congregation has experienced 64% growth since the year 2000 with 300 sisters in the community, the largest ever in their history. The median age is 36 with 58% of the Congregation under the age of forty. With an average of 18 young women entering the convent as postulants each year, the novitiate has an average of fifty sisters.

The Congregation has expanded its apostolate to 33 schools located in the United States, including the Congregation’s own college in Nashville. The sisters are also present in 10 schools located in Rome and Bracciano, Italy; Sydney, Australia; Vancouver, Canada; the Diocese of Aberdeen, Scotland; Diocese of Roermond in The Netherlands and the Diocese of Limerick, Ireland. Here in Rhode Island they administer and teach at St. Pius School.

The Mother House of these good sisters is located on thirty-two acres located in downtown Nashville. St. Cecilia Motherhouse is an oasis on the north side of a busy southern city. St. Cecilia Motherhouse was completed in 1862. Additions in 1880, 1888, 1904, and 2006 completed the building.

Today it houses the sisters in formation in the novitiate, the sisters who administer and teach at schools in Nashville, sisters who serve

the community through specific duties at the Motherhouse, and many retired sisters.

The Constitutions of the Congregation state: “*Wishing to follow Christ more freely, we tend toward holiness by a narrower path. The consecrated life is the fruition of the baptismal grace. The consecrated virgin is set apart for the Lord. The voluntary gift of self by which we devote ourselves to God and strengthen our brethren becomes the source of tranquil peace. By our consecrated life we teach the way to holiness and joy.*”

During her postulancy, Laura begins a year of immersion into the life of her new religious family. She attends all community prayers and practices the monastic customs that are a part of their life. During this year she becomes acquainted with the basics of Dominican spirituality and history, along with the charism of her Congregation.

We congratulate Laura on her decision to pursue her vocation to the consecrated life. Please join us next Sunday in recognizing her vocation and praying for her as she enters the convent. May God continue to bless her and the Nashville Dominican Sisters with joy, faith, hope, and love!

Pray for more vocations!
Do good. Be well. God Bless.
Go Sox!

Thank
you



Thank you very much to everyone here at Our Lady of Mercy Parish for a wonderful summer! Ten weeks went by quickly, but I am grateful for the excellent experience that it was, and for the beautiful send-off you gave me last week. You all contribute to make this a fantastic family of faith and I would like to personally thank each of you for all you do.

Thank you to those in the parish office, the teachers and staff at the school, the sacristans, the outreach coordinators, the custodial staff and grounds keepers, Sister Lourdes and Sister Emma, and to everyone else with whom I have worked. You all welcomed me from my first day here and your hard work keeps the parish thriving.

Thank you also to all who took the time to say hello or have a conversation with me. Even just by coming to Mass you showed me how the faith is very alive here and you have encouraged me in my journey toward the priesthood.

It was great to have served Masses, baptisms, and funerals, and to have taken part in vacation Bible school, the afterschool program, youth group, Legion of Mary, visits to the homebound and those in nursing homes, and other wonderful ministries going on here. Lots of hard-working people run these ministries, and they taught me a lot by their dedication and witness to faith. I am grateful to have been included, and to see what a group effort it takes to run a parish as strong as this one.

Thank you to Deacon Dowd, Fr. Barrow, Fr. Connors, and Fr. Healey for your hard work in bringing the sacraments to people, and for being great role models to me for how to be a good priest. I am grateful for the personal attention and guidance that each of the priests here showed me, and I owe a big thank you to Father Healey for having me here. He included me in just about everything and taught me a lot about priestly ministry and running a parish. God willing, I hope to one day be a priest as strong and dedicated as he is.

Please pray for me as I continue my studies for the priesthood. Please pray also for more vocations to priesthood and religious life so that more people will work to bring others to God. I will be sure to continue to pray for you all. Until we meet again, thank you, and God bless.

Gratefully yours,
Patrick Ryan



The flowers at the Marian Shrine are donated this week in memory of Maria Oliverio in honor of her birthday.

Weekly Collection

July 29, 2018

Weekly.....	\$11,656.00
EFT.....	\$1,970.00
	Total=\$13,626.00
Outreach.....	\$389.50

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.

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

Second Collections
This Week: Building & Grounds
Next Week: Peter's Pence



2018
CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL
Supporting the work of the Church

2018 Parish Goal=\$193,864
Final Pledged for 2018=\$225,639
Total Number of Donors=517
Average Gift=\$436
% of Parish Goal=116%
% of Parish Participation= 25%

Thanks to Your Generous Support
OLM Parish is over goal! Thank You!!!!



OLM Summer Office Hours

Monday-Thursday:
8:00am—4:00pm
Fridays:
8am—12Noon



**Register online today for the
2018-2019 Religious Education Year!**

Go to the Parish website: www.olmparish.org Then to Faith Formation . Scroll down until you get to Religious Education for Children. The link to register is right underneath that heading.

**Registration only during July
after July 31st a late fee applies.**



● **OLM Food Pantry** is always in great need of non-perishable food items especially in the summer months. Please leave items in the Food Box in the vestibule.

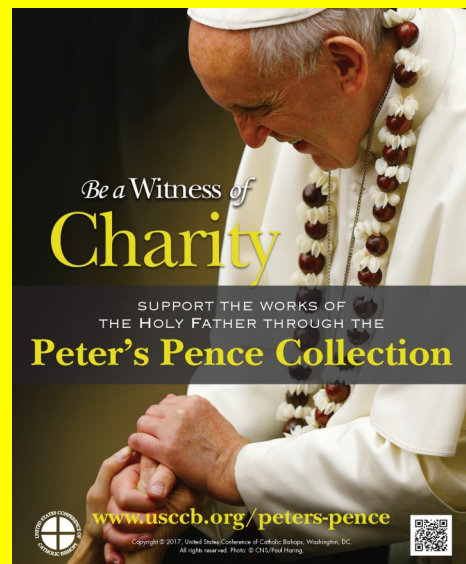
● **OLM Bereavement Group Meeting:** **Thursday, August 16th at 4pm** in Mercy House. All those experiencing grief or loneliness are invited to join us for support, prayer and discussion.

● **For more information about OLM Outreach**, please contact OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 884-4410 or by email at outreach@olmparish.org

Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity

August 11/12, 2018

Next week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence. In the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis called each of us to be a witness of charity. He encourages us to "open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help!" (*Misericordiae Vultus* [MV], no. 15). The Peter's Pence Collection unites us in solidarity to the Holy See and its works of charity to those in need. Your generosity allows the Pope to respond to our suffering brothers and sisters. The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease. Thank you for your generous support.



Transfiguration of the Lord



The feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord celebrates Christ's divinity shining forth out of his humanity and his dominion over all creation. It also reminds us that we, as baptized persons, have a share in his divine life and will one day participate in his glory.

It is unfortunate that this wonderful feast was established by Pope Calistus III to commemorate the 1456 battle of Belgrade, a decisive victory of Christian forces over the Turks, and that it is the anniversary of the first use of an atomic weapon in warfare.

A celebration of our nobility in Christ on a day that remembers the worst that we can be offers us a unique, profound, and challenging worship experience.



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Annual Back Pack Drive for the students of St. Patrick's

OLM Outreach is helping the children of St. Patrick's Parish and School with our Annual Back Pack Drive. We are collecting supplies on the weekends of July 28th/29th and August 4th/5th. Fully packed backpacks will be delivered to St. Patrick's Church in Providence during the week of August 13th.

Supplies needed: #2 pencils, blue & black ink pens, 24 count crayons, 10 count markers (broad/wide), boxed thin markers (NO Sharpies), highlighters, boxed colored pencils, pink erasers, pencil top erasers, rulers, glue sticks, filler paper (college ruled), white index cards, composition books, packages of colored construction paper, kid's scissors, one-subject notebooks, 3-hole pocket folders.

All donated supplies can be placed in the collection container in the Church Vestibule or left at the OLM Outreach Office. Donations are welcomed and can be made by check payable to OLM Church, with "Backpack Drive" on the memo line, and placed in the collection basket at Mass.

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