



THE CHURCH OF
Our Lady of Mercy



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Sixty-Five Third Street ✕ *East Greenwich, Rhode Island 02818*

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ ***July 10, 2016***

† **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

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.

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Friday8:00 am - Noon

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Mass Intentions
 for the Week
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 10, 2016

SATURDAY, JULY 9

Mass of Anticipation for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Maria San Martino—Memorial

SUNDAY, JULY 10

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00AM Michael Passaretti—Memorial
 10:30AM Douglas Hauser—Memorial

MONDAY, JULY 11

St. Benedict, Abbot
 7:30AM Beatrice Jutras—Memorial

TUESDAY, JULY 12

Weekday
 7:30AM Josephine Di Stefano—8th Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

Weekday/St. Henry
 7:30AM Derek Parenteau—Birthday Remembrance

THURSDAY, JULY 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
 7:30AM Edward & Lillian E. Healey—Memorial

FRIDAY, JULY 15

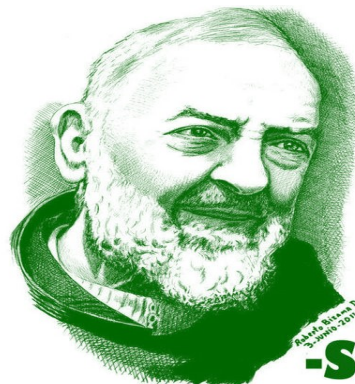
St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 7:30AM John Bosco Rhee—Memorial

SATURDAY, JULY 16

Weekday; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; BVM
 8:30AM Souls in Purgatory
The Mass of Anticipation for 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Eda Pacarella—2nd Anniversary

SUNDAY, JULY 17

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00 AM Stanley Berek—Birthday Remembrance
 10:30AM Silvio Cardillo—27th Anniversary



**We must
 empty
 Purgatory
 with our
 prayers.
 -St. Padre Pio**



Dear Parishioners:

I hope you had a great Fourth of July celebration. There were fireworks all over the nation and families and friends gathered for good fun and good food. This most American of holidays is a great day to remember and celebrate our nation and our freedom.

You may have noticed that the U.S. Flag flies high at OLM School. Thanks to Paul Anderson, our Maintenance Director, the flag is illuminated with light at night and so we are able to fly "Old Glory" twenty-four hours a day.

When you look at our flag flying be sure to look at the top of the flagpole. On top of the flagpole you will see the newly refinished "ball-style" finial. In your name I thank long-time OLM Parishioner, Steve Kane, who not only donated the gold leafing that now adorns the finial but also spent hours gently applying the gold leaf on the finial. We are truly grateful for his generosity and for sharing his time and talent on behalf of the parish.

The history of our flag is as fascinating as that of the American Republic itself. It has survived battles, inspired songs and evolved in response to the growth of the country it represents.

On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress passed an act establishing an official flag for the new nation. The resolution stated: "*Resolved, that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white;*

that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." On Aug. 3, 1949, President Harry S. Truman officially declared June 14 as Flag Day.

The name *Old Glory* was given to a large, 10-by-17-foot flag by its owner, William Driver, a sea captain from Massachusetts. Inspiring the common nickname for all American flags, Driver's flag is said to have survived multiple attempts to deface it during the Civil War. Driver was able to fly the flag over the Tennessee Statehouse once the war ended. It's a "Grand Old Flag" indeed!

Our new Associate Pastor, Fr. Barrow, is finding his way around the parish and the town. He has been busy getting to know the lay of the land as well as unpacking his trunk and boxes, recently arrived from Rome. I hope you got a chance to welcome him and say "Hello" last weekend. If you have not yet greeted our new priest, please do so as I know he is anxious to meet you.

Our OLM Vacation Bible School was a great success. It ended on July 1st and the over fifty children, many parent and teenaged volunteers, our Summer Seminarian Billy Burdier, RE Directors Doug Green and Mickey St. Jean and our OLM Youth Activities Coordinator Michael LaChimia are all to be commended for planning and running such a great faith event for the parish.

The children not only had

a week of fun and activities but also learned many valuable things about their Catholic Faith. This is a wonderful event for our young parish families and I offer my thanks to all those who helped to make it possible, and all those families who participated in the OLM VBS!

Last week we celebrated Independence Day on the Fourth of July. But just before that civic celebration, the Church marked the Feast of St. Junipero Serra, the great Missionary of the Western United States. The Franciscan Friar built the Mission Churches that span the California Coast and his statue stands tall in the U.S. Capitol. Fr. Serra was just canonized in September 2015 by Pope Francis at a Mass in Washington, DC. In his homily the Holy Father stated:

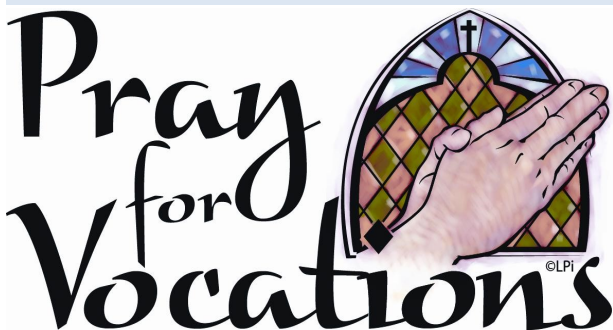
"Father Serra had a motto which inspired his life and work, a saying he lived his life by: siempre adelante! Keep moving forward! For him, this was the way to continue experiencing the joy of the Gospel, to keep his heart from growing numb. He kept moving forward, because the Lord was waiting. He kept going, because his brothers and sisters were waiting. He kept going forward to the end of his life. Today, like him, may we be able to say: Forward! Let's keep moving forward!" Let us keep moving forward in faith! Be well. Do Good. God Bless. Go Sox!

Father Healey



Dear Billy: What advice would you give someone discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life? What I would say to someone who is discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life is trust those

feelings and thoughts. I would encourage you to pray, pray and pray. Through prayer, you can establish or further deepen your relationship with Christ, who calls us to Himself. It is important to remember that "many are called, but few are chosen." In other words, God, of course, is calling all of us to be holy, but not everyone receives the invitation or the thought about becoming a priest or entering a religious community. Also, remember that God speaks to us through our desires for the good, through our desires for Him. Those thoughts or desires are not just for fun. God is leading you and calling you to follow him. Now the question we can ask is: in what way is God asking you to follow him? If God is gifting you with this kind of curiosity, then give Him a chance. Trust me; it is never a waste of time to try to figure out what God's will for us is. Any time given to God is never a waste, and you will gain wisdom and joy. In your response and discernment, it is important that you pray, spend time with our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament and attend Mass as often as possible. Listen to what God is asking of you and have confidence in knowing that He is always by your side. Always remember that you are not alone and that others are praying for you as you discern! As we move closer to God's will for our lives, we can utter the same words of Christ: "Father... not as I will, but as you will." As we begin to grow in our love for God; as a result, we will have a growing desire for our wills to be conformed to His own. I am praying for you and do not be afraid. "God is love and perfect love cast out all fear." Your heavenly father wants the absolute best for you.



Weekly Collection

July 3, 2016

Weekly.....	\$9,498.50
EFT.....	\$1,532.50
	Total=\$11,031.00
Outreach.....	\$1,185.50
Building & Grounds.....	\$2,397.50

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.

Thank you for your generous support!

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



OLM Parish Office Hours Summer 2016

**Mondays—Thursdays
8:00am—4:00pm**

**Fridays
8:00am—Noon**

Please plan accordingly.

The Lord never tires of forgiving, it is we who tire of asking for forgiveness.

Pope Francis



Confessions at OLM

Mondays: 6:00PM—6:45PM

Saturdays: 4:00PM—4:45PM

All Summer Long!



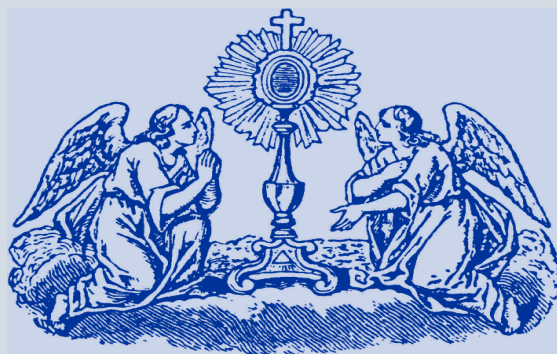
●Please register now for RE 2016-2017. Forms are available in the OLM Parish Office, the OLM RE Office or online at the parish webpage (olmparish.org) . All OLM Parish Children Grade 1-8 should be registered for RE. Thank you. ●For more information about RE Grades 1-5 and First Communion Program, contact Mickey St. Jean at 884-1061 or via email at reled@olmparish.org ●For more information about RE Grades 6-8 and Confirmation Program, contact Doug Green at 884-4410 or via email at confirmation@olmparish.org



●The OLM Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable food items especially in the summer months. Please deposit all donated food in the box in the Church vestibule. Thank you for your support. For more information, contact OLM Outreach Director Doug Green at 884-4410 or via email at outreach@olmparish.org



HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE SAINTS JOHN & PAUL PARISH



THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2016 AT 7:00PM

SS John and Paul Parish, 341 South Main St., is hosting the Deanery Holy Hour for Life on Thursday evening, July 14, at 7 p.m. The Holy Hour begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Rosary, reflections, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of Loreto, and Benediction. All are welcome. Bring a friend. For more information please contact Ray, 644-3699.

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**Annual Mission Co-op Appeal
July 23/24, 2016
Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary**



Sisters representing the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary will be with us at OLM on the weekend of July 23 and 24. The religious community was founded in Ireland in 1924 to work with women in Nigeria, West Africa. The Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary are now an international community working in nine countries of Africa as well in Brazil and Mexico. They are a strictly missionary community with no institutions in the U.S.A. or Canada. All funds go directly to support their missionary work. The founder of the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary, Bishop Joseph Shanahan, a Spiritan Priest from Tipperary, Ireland and Vicar Apostolic of Southern Nigeria, hoped to expand outreach to women in Nigeria. In February 1927, the first ten sisters made their profession as Holy Rosary Sisters. Five would continue to work on the mission of congregational growth and the formation of new members in Ireland; five would prepare to travel to Nigeria to initiate their mission. These five studied the Igbo language and prepared to improve the livelihood of girls through a network of schools for teacher training, nursing, and technical instruction. They looked to Mary as a model for the innate dignity of women. The Annual Mission Co-op Appeal provides support for the good works of the missions. Each year missionaries visit parishes of the Diocese of Providence to preach about their work and seek support. They look for spiritual support of the Catholics of Rhode Island through prayer and financial support with a special Second Collection. Thank you for your support.



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Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our active Prayer Chain. The power of pray is tremendous and many successful results have been reported back. Anyone wishing to join the Prayer Chain as a caller, or simply as one who prays for others and their intentions, please call Mary Hart at 884-5629 or email at 2hart@cox.net. If you know someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any serious reason please call us!



We have partnered with Parish Giving to offer this program to all of our parishioners.

It's simple: just log on to the Our Lady of Mercy website (www.olmparish.org) and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

It's secure: Parish Giving is Payment Card Industry compliant and uses the strongest Secure Sockets Layering encryption technology available.

It's Convenient: No more searching for the checkbook or Sunday morning stops at the ATM machine. You can pick the day of the month for the recurring contributions to be processed. **Tax benefits:** You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

Parish benefits: Stable monthly contributions and significant reduction of parish administrative costs.

To get started log on to: <http://www.olmparish.org> and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps.

ENSURE YOUR WEEKLY SUPPORT OF OLM PARISH WHILE AWAY ON VACATION or WHILE AT YOUR BEACH HOME!