



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 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ June 17, 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](http://www.catholicpriest.com).

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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*Mass Intentions*  
 for the Week  
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**THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME  
 JUNE 17, 2018**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 16**

*The Mass of Anticipation for the 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time*  
 5:00PM Felix, Celestina & Irene Giorgio—Memorial

**SUNDAY, JUNE 17**

*The Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church  
 9:00 AM For All Fathers  
 10:30AM For All Fathers

**MONDAY, JUNE 18**

*Weekday*  
 7:30AM Bernard Falchini—Memorial

**TUESDAY, JUNE 19**

*Weekday; St. Romuald, Abbot*  
 7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20**

*Weekday*  
 7:30AM Missy Mlga—Memorial

**THURSDAY, JUNE 21**

*St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious*  
 7:30AM Anthony Silva—Birthday Remembrance

**FRIDAY, JUNE 22**

*Weekday/St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop: St. John Fisher, Bishop & St. Thomas More, Martyrs*  
 7:30AM Mary Kasyan—Memorial

**SATURDAY, JUNE 23**

*Weekday/BVM*  
 8:30AM Dr. Jeremiah O'Connell—Memorial  
*Vigil Mass of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist*  
 5:00PM Kate Bedard—Birthday Remembrance

**SUNDAY, JUNE 24**

*The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*  
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church  
 9:00 AM Bruce Hart—Birthday Remembrance  
 10:30AM Edward & Dolly Healey—Memorial





Dear Parishioners:

With the sound of the Blue Angels overhead all last weekend, we celebrated the OLM School Class of 2018. On Sunday the graduates of our 8th Grade joined us at 10:30am Mass. Each of the graduates received the specially designed Our Lady of Mercy Medal which serves as a reminder of their years of study, but also a symbol of their patroness.

On Monday night the thirty-one graduates who are listed in this week's bulletin gathered for the OLM School Graduation Ceremony. Most of these graduates spent over 8 years in our parish school. We thank their parents and families for their support and the sacrifice they make for a Catholic Education for their children. As Cardinal Dolan of New York says so often, a Catholic Education is *"the pearl of great price."*

These young men and women now head off to the rigors of high school and we continue to pray for them. We also offer our prayerful congratulations to all those who graduated from East Greenwich High School, our Catholic High Schools and other high schools this June. They now prepare for the challenges of university life. And finally our best wishes to our many OLM parishioners who graduated college and graduate school this year. May God bless them all!

Last Saturday night there was a whole lot of OLM School talent on display at E.G. High School Auditorium. The students put on a production of "Mary Poppins." Bishop Evans, Fr. Barrow, our Summer

Seminarian, Patrick, Sisters Lourdes and Emma and myself had great seats for the play. It was an outstanding performance by our students with great singing and dancing! Kudos to our student actors and actresses and all those who helped produce the performance!

Each summer the Franciscan University of Steubenville organizes a series of conferences across North America that help teens encounter the love of Christ and renew their Catholic Faith. The mission of these Youth Conferences is to build the Church by evangelizing, equipping, and empowering God's children to become radical and joyful disciples.

The Steubenville East Conference at the University of Massachusetts Lowell takes place in late July. Thousands of Catholic teens from across the region gather together for this great weekend of faith and formation. Our OLM Youth Group under the direction of our Youth Activities Coordinator, Billy Burdier, is planning on attending this great event along with Fr. Barrow and our Summer Seminarian Patrick.

Next Saturday evening following the 5:00PM Mass the OLM Youth Group is hosting a Cookout in Mercy Park. They are hoping to raise money to defray the expenses of their travel and lodging at the event. Members of the Youth Group are selling tickets after Masses this weekend for the cookout. If you want to support the youth of our parish, join us for a hamburger or hot dog next Saturday at Mercy Park!

We continue to take

registrations for the OLM Vacation Bible School which is scheduled for June 25th through the 29th. If your child or grandchild is interested in having a fun filled week learning more about their Catholic Faith, register soon! There are details in the bulletin.

This Sunday is Fathers Day, a day in which we honor Fathers. In a special way we pray for all Fathers at Sunday Masses as we remember all living and deceased Fathers.

The worthy example of Fatherhood for all Fathers is St. Joseph. He was a strong and courageous man, a working man, yet in his heart he had deep love and great tenderness. Such love and tenderness is not a sign of weakness, but of strength. Pope Francis, our Holy Father, reflecting on Fatherhood says:

*"Being a father is not easy since it takes lots of patience and grace, Nothing could better express the pride and emotion a father feels when he understands that he has handed down to his child what really matters in life, that is, a wise and gentle heart. It is a joy that rewards all the toil, that overcomes every mistake and heals every wound."*

A Happy Fathers Day to all Fathers! May God our Loving Father, guide and protect you all and bestow his choicest blessings upon you!

Hope to see you at the Youth Group Cookout! Do good. Be well. God Bless. Go Sox!

**Why do Catholics pray to Mary?**



It often puzzles many people why we, as Catholics, speak to our Blessed Mother in prayer when we could simply speak directly to God. Going to Mary, the earthly mother of our divine Lord, seems to some like a roundabout and maybe ineffective way of getting to Jesus who knows us entirely already and invites us to speak to Him, the Father, and the Holy Spirit at any time. To answer the question we first point out that in our prayer we do not worship Mary but instead venerate her and ask for her intercession. That is, we ask her to pray to God for us. Furthermore we of course do not direct our prayers exclusively to Mary, but also to our good and loving God who is our ultimate end and goal. We turn to Mary because she is close to God and can bring our requests to Him in a special way.

If you were in any sort of need, you may ask a friend to pray for you. You would of course continue to talk to the Lord yourself, but you would then have the added help of a friend's prayers. Mary is far more than a friend. As the sinless woman chosen by God before her birth to carry our Lord and savior in her womb and to raise him to adulthood, Mary lived a life of holiness on earth.

We know from the scriptures that God works particularly through holy people. Those who know the Lord and humbly place themselves at His service often end up performing extraordinary feats through His power. Mary and the saints in Heaven are as close to God as people can be. In fact, the Church declares definitively that Mary is not only with God in Heaven, but that she is the Queen of Heaven and Earth. While we confidently go to God with our prayers we also enjoy the privilege of asking the Queen to pray for us as well. She can take our weak requests and make them more presentable to our Heavenly King.

We read in Saint John's gospel that Jesus, while dying on the cross, looked down at his mother and John and said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son." (John 19:26). To John the Lord said, "Behold, your mother" (John 19:27). As disciples of Jesus, we too can call Mary our mother and treat her as such. As we would ask our earthly mothers for help and favors, we can all the more ask Mary to aid us in our need. As we honor our earthly mothers for all they do for us, we can honor the blessed mother for her holiness as well. Mother Mary, Our Lady of Mercy, pray for us.

*If you have a question for the Seminarian, please email it to: [pryan13@friars.providence.edu](mailto:pryan13@friars.providence.edu)*



*Weekly Collection* 

**June 10, 2018**

Weekly.....	\$11,288.00
EFT.....	\$2,767.00
	<b>Total=\$14,055.00</b>
Outreach.....	\$629.00
Catholic Communications.....	\$2,039.50

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.**



**2018 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL**

*Supporting the work of the Church*

**2018 Parish Goal=\$193,864**  
**Pledged to date=\$197,257**  
 % of Parish Goal=101%  
 Total Donors to date=487  
 Average Gift=\$405  
 % of Parish Participation=23%

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



**OLM Summer Office Hours**

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



School has ended for the year and the summer vacation has begun! We wish our OLM School faculty, staff, students and families a healthy and happy summer vacation. Enjoy your time of rest and recreation and see you on Wednesday, August 29th for the new school year!

**Scott W. Fuller**  
**Principal**

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[www.olmschool.org](http://www.olmschool.org)



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

● **OLM Bereavement Group Meeting:** **Thursday, June 21 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](mailto:outreach@olmparish.org)



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

Go to the Parish website: [www.olmparish.org](http://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 June and July after July 31st a late fee applies.**



We offer our prayers and condolences to the family of **Amelia T. Gallo** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at OLM last week.

*Best Wishes to our newly baptized*



**Holden George and Matthew Douglas Hayek** and their parents, Nathan and Lauren.

*"Dearly beloved, these children have been reborn in baptism. They are now called children of God, for so indeed they are."*

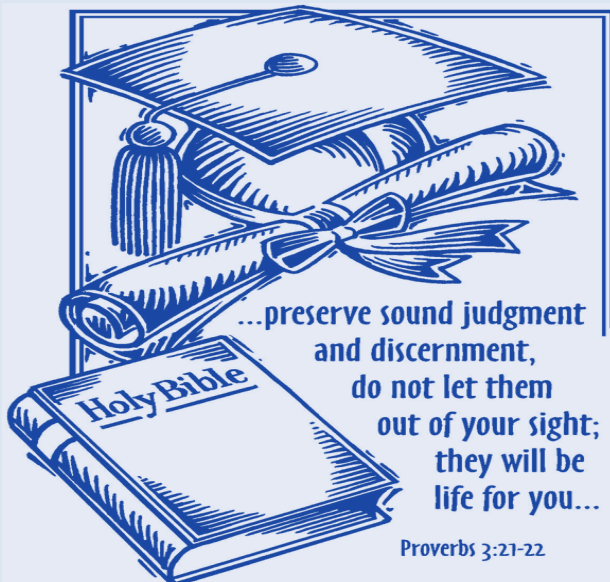
— The Rite of Baptism

# CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2018



## OUR LADY OF MERCY SCHOOL GRADUATES

John P. Andraka	Bishop Hendricken High School
Jackson T. Breiding	Bishop Hendricken High School
Mae M. Browning	North Kingstown High School
Carlene P. Buckley	St. George's School
Ryan J. Buckley	St. George's School
Colin J. Butera	Bishop Hendricken High School
Hayden K. Clare	Bishop Hendricken High School
Robert W. Costantino	La Salle Academy
Jacob A. Couto	The Prout School
Nicole E. Cretella	East Greenwich High School
Emilie V. Ferris	St. Raphael's Academy
Andrew F. Frenze	The Prout School
Grant S. Giguere	North Kingstown High School
Aoife Harrington	North Kingstown High School
Bryan Hong	Bishop Hendricken
Santino J. Izzi	Rocky Hill School
Mae M. Legare	La Salle Academy
David C. Lynch, Jr.	Bishop Hendricken
Yaduvir L. Mangray	St. Charles Prep, Columbus, Ohio
Nicholas R. Narcessian	Bishop Hendricken High School
Matthew J. Pedro	Bishop Hendricken High School
Talia F. Plante	St. Mary's Academy-Bayview
Jacob F. Rademacher	Bishop Hendricken High School
Rebecca L. Shea	North Kingstown High School
Aidan Z. Skidds	The Prout School
Valencio G. Small	North Kingstown High School
Paul R. Thompson	St. Raphael's Academy
Patrick G. Torres	Bishop Hendricken High School
Hannah J. Wind	St. Mary's Academy-Bayview
Molly Rose Wren	North Kingstown High School
Ryan G. Youngs	Bishop Hendricken High School



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**OLM Vacation Bible School**  
**June 25- 29, 2018**  
**From 9am to 12 noon each day!**  
**Children Ages 4-12**  
**Bible Stories & Saint of the Day**  
**Crafts & Recreation Times**  
**Devotions and Fun Skits**  
**Classes Grouped By Ages**

Singing and celebrating the Catholic Faith!! VBS registration takes place at OLM School, OLM Parish Office and after Weekend Masses. Registration is \$50 for one child, or \$100 per family. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Billy Burdier, OLM Youth Activities Coordinator, by email directly to him at [youthactivities@olmparish.org](mailto:youthactivities@olmparish.org)

*Happy Father's Day*



*For I have chosen him,  
 so that he will direct his children...  
 to keep the way of the Lord.* ©PPC

*Genesis 18:19*