



THE CHURCH OF

# Our Lady of Mercy



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## The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ June 25, 2017

### † 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

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

## Our Lady of Mercy School

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### 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

Monday - Thursday.....8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday.....8:00 am -12:00 pm

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**The Very Reverend Bernard A. Healey, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor**

**The Reverend Joshua A. Barrow, S.T.L., Associate Pastor**

**Deacon John W. Dowd, Parish Deacon**

**Joseph V. Cavanagh, Jr.**

**William K. Wray**

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*Parish Founded 1853*



*Parish Incorporated 1867*



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## **THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 25, 2017**

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

*Mass of Anticipation for the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 5:00PM John Bucci—7th Anniversary

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

*The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church  
 9:00 AM Bruce Hart—Birthday Remembrance  
 10:30AM Kate Bedard—Birthday Remembrance

### **MONDAY, JUNE 26**

*Weekday*

7:30AM John Gardner, Jr. —Memorial

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

*Weekday; St. Cyril of Alexander, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*  
 7:30AM Special Intention

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**

*St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr*

7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 29—PATRONAL FEAST OF THE DIOCESE**

*Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles*

7:30AM Special Intention

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 30**

*Weekday; The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church*

7:30AM Ben Ken—Memorial

### **SATURDAY, JULY 1**

*Weekday; St. Junipero Serra, Priest; BVM*

8:30AM Special Intention

*Mass of Anticipation for The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00PM Emmett Miller—Birthday Remembrance

### **SUNDAY, JULY 2**

*The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 AM Robert Gerasole—Memorial

9:00 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church

10:30AM Raoul L. Roberts—2nd Anniversary





Dear Parishioners:

Summer has arrived! Hopefully we can begin to enjoy some sunny, warm weather and less rain! School is out and the summer vacation for all school children has now begun.

The Fourth of July is coming soon! Don't let the summer go by without taking some time for rest, refreshment and relaxation. Pope Francis reminds us: "*Moments of rest are sacred because in them we find God.*"

The summer brings with it family vacations and gatherings, respite from the routine and from work, and a chance to renew our lives. Summer reading is always part of the season for me. I hope to read a few good books this summer. For fun I hope to read a novel entitled *Conclave* by Robert Harris, a fictional story of intrigue at the Vatican!

For education I hope to read Archbishop Chaput's latest, *Strangers in a Strange Land: Living the Catholic Faith in a Post-Christian World*. It should provide some great insights into living a authentic Catholic life in the increasingly secular, and often hostile, world.

And for my spiritual reading I am looking forward to St. Thomas More's *The Sadness of Christ*. This classical work was the last that St. Thomas More wrote in the Tower of London before he was executed for standing firm in his Catholic faith. In it, he explores the Gospel passages that depict the agony of Our Lord in the Garden of Gethsemane.

St. Thomas depicts Christ as a model of virtue in the face of suffering and persecution.

Centuries later it is still timely and all too relevant for Catholics today. What will you be reading at the beach or by the pool this summer?

Summer is here and that means its also time for the OLM Vacation Bible Camp. It begins this Monday for children aged 4 thru 12 under the direction of Mr. Michael LaChima, our OLM Youth Activities Coordinator, Mrs. Bethany Bessette, OLM Middle School Teacher and Mrs. Mickey St. Jean, OLM Directress of RE. It is a great week of fun and faith for the children.

The theme for this year is "*A Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments.*" The children learn about the Sacraments in very fun and faithful ways. The camp is held everyday this week from 9:00am until Noon. So when you see happy kids running around OLM having fun and smiling, you'll know why!

Next weekend we again take up our Annual Missionary Cooperative Collection. Each year every parish in the Diocese of Providence hosts a particular missionary group as part of our support of the universal mission of the Church. We support the missions with our prayers and with a second collection to financially support their mission work.

This year we welcome the Salesian Missionaries of Don Bosco. Fr. Sean McEwen, S.D.B, is coming to tell us about the great missionary work of the Salesian Fathers, Brothers and Sisters. These religious men and women work across the globe spreading the Gospel and

helping the poor at schools, hospitals and parishes.

Fr. McEwen is a native of Canada who currently works in the missions in South Africa. He spends his summer holidays traveling across the U.S.A. preaching about the missionary work he and so many others do everyday to build up the kingdom of God. Please give him a warm welcome to OLM and support him with your prayers and generous financial donations in the second collection.

My work at the RI Statehouse as the Director of the RI Catholic Conference is drawing to a close for the year! It is in these final days that we must be most vigilant. With the passage of the state budget and some other pending bills still to consider the General Assembly is wrapping up another session.

A radical pro-abortion bill did not advance this session. I thank those parishioners who reached out to Rep. Shanley of Warwick and Rep. Casimiro of North Kingstown to ask them to oppose such extreme anti-life legislation. I also thank State Representative Giarrusso for his firm and consistent support of the sanctity of human life and for keeping the convictions of his Catholic faith.

It's summer! Enjoy! Relax! Rest! Renew! Go to the beach! Sit outside and read that book! But get to Mass! Be well. Do good. God Bless. Go Sox!



### What is the Proper Way to Receive Holy Communion?

The external posture by which we receive Holy Communion shows our interior love for the mystery we celebrate. We must receive our Lord in Holy Communion with reverence, care, gentleness and humility. Attention to the external signs of reverence shows our love of the Holy Eucharist. For in the Holy Eucharist, the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, “Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present” (1374).

Before one receives Holy Communion, the Church asks that one make a bow of the head as a sign of reverence for what (or really whom) we are about to receive. In order to facilitate the smooth distribution of Holy Communion, each communicant should step right up to the priest, deacon or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. After hearing the words “The Body of Christ” the communicant should respond “Amen” indicating belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

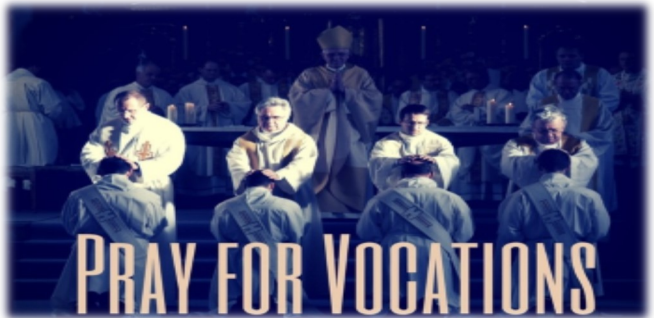
In addition to the traditional posture of receiving Holy Communion on the tongue, the Holy See has granted permission for the faithful to receive Communion in the hand. Each mode has its own value and its own beauty. For some, receiving the Eucharist on their tongue is to signify their humility before the Lord and to recognize that it is God himself who feeds them. For others, touching the Eucharist makes them feel more connected to Jesus Christ himself. It takes humility to accept the Lord, present and visible, in one’s own hand.

If receiving on the tongue, one should be sure to open his or her mouth wide enough that the host may easily be placed on the tongue. If one receives on the hand, the right hand should be placed directly under the left—like a throne ready to receive a king. The communicant should then **immediately** consume the host using the right hand. To pluck, grab or pull the Eucharist into their hands is a sign of great disrespect and could lead to accidentally dropping the sacred host.

It is very important that the Eucharist is not fumbled about where the particles of the sacred host could fall to the ground. Those who may be carrying something or assisting a small child, for example, should consider receiving on the tongue. The *Catechism* explains: “Christ is present whole and entire in each of the species and whole and entire in each of their parts.”

In whatever manner one chooses to receive, the greatest attention should be given to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist; the Church’s greatest treasure.

**If you have a question about the Catholic Faith, email your questions directly to our Summer Seminarian, Hiep Nguyen at [Hiep.Nguyen@sjs.edu](mailto:Hiep.Nguyen@sjs.edu)**



## Weekly Collection

**June 18, 2017**

Weekly.....	\$13,659.00
EFT.....	\$2,111.50
	<b>Total=\$15,770.50</b>
Outreach.....	\$738.00


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.**



**Second Collection**  
Next Week: Missionary Co-op Collection  
**NB: The Building & Grounds Envelopes should be put in the first collection basket next weekend.**



**2017 Parish Goal = \$193,864**  
**Pledged to date = \$246,798.00**


**Number of Donors = 567**  
**% of Parish Goal = 127%**

**Average Gift = \$435**  
**Total Raised in 2016 = \$268,928**

**Over Parish Goal! Thank You for Your Generous Support!**

**2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL**

**OLM Parish Office Summer Hours**  
Monday—Thursday: 8:00am—4:00pm  
Fridays: 8:00am—12:00pm  
*Please plan accordingly.*



**Confessions at OLM**

Mondays: 6:00pm—6:45pm  
Saturdays: 4:00pm—4:45pm

**Don't take a vacation from God's Mercy!**



## 2017 ACADEMIC AWARDS

### OLM EIGHTH GRADE PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

The *President's Education Awards Program* is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and was developed to help schools recognize and honor students who have achieved high academic goals through hard work and dedication to learning.

Dylan Brunner\*  
Alise Knudson\*  
Casey McQuesten\*  
Madelyn Grant\*\*  
Allison Lombardi\*\*  
Allison Medeiros\*\*  
Kylie Mulhearn\*\*  
Kathleen O'Connell\*\*

\*The *Gold Presidential Award* is given to students who achieved a 95 overall average for each year of middle school. \*\*The *Silver Presidential Award* is given to students who achieved at least a 90% overall average for each middle school year.

### OLM EIGHTH GRADE ACADEMIC AWARDS

#### Mathematics

Dylan Brunner                      Kylie Mulhearn

#### Social Studies

Nicholas DiBattista              Isabella Merolla

#### Science

Dylan Brunner                      Madelyn Grant

#### Language Arts

Madelyn Grant                      Christopher Cambio

#### Religion

Kylie Mulhearn                      Brayden Allen

#### Art

Katilyn Duska

#### Music

Dylan Brunner                      Nicholas DiBattista

#### Spanish

Alise Knudson                      Dylan Brunner

#### Physical Education

John Colitz, Jr.                      Kathleen O'Connell

#### Computer Science & Engineering

Casey McQuesten                      Brayden Allen

#### Christian Values

Alison Medeiros                      Malcolm Verdi

#### Science Olympiad Leadership

Casey McQuesten

#### Mock Trial Leadership

Nicholas DiBattista                      Dylan Brunner



- **OLM Food Pantry** is in need of donated non-perishable food items especially during the Summer months. Please leave items in Food Box in vestibule. Thank you for your support.
- For more information, contact OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 884-4410 or at outreach@olmparish.org



### Register Today for RE Classes Next Year

• Registrations are now being accepted for the 2017-2018 year. **Registrations are now only done on-line** at: <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-2592082/> You may also access the link on the Parish Website: [www.olmparish.org](http://www.olmparish.org) and go to Faith Formation and then Religious Education for Children. **All registrations are due by June 30th to avoid the late fee.** We accept children in Grades 1-8.



**Join the OLM Parish, and School Faculty, for our Vacation Bible School!**

**June 26th—June 30th  
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon  
Kids aged 4 to 12!  
Fun for All!  
Arts & Crafts! Sports!**

To register, fill out a registration form and return it to Mr. Michael LaChimia at the parish office. Call 884-4968 for more information or email to [mlachimia@olmschool.org](mailto:mlachimia@olmschool.org)  
**VBS will take place at OLM School. Registration is \$50 for one child, or \$100 per family.**

## Missionary Co-op Collection

July 1 & 2, 2017

### ABOUT THE SECOND COLLECTION



Each year every parish in the Diocese of Providence has Missionaries visit and preach on the Missions. The Second Collection is dedicated to these Missionaries. It is our way to support the work of the Missions and celebrate the

universality of our Catholic Church. This year the Salesian Missionaries are conducting the Mission Appeal.

A Salesian Missionary Priest, Fr. Sean McEwen, SDB, is coming to OLM and is to preach all the weekend Masses on July 1 and 2nd. The Salesian Fathers, Brothers and Sisters are dedicated to serving poor children throughout the world in more than 130 countries. They specialize in helping young people become self-sufficient by learning a trade that will help them gain employment. Each year more than 3 million children receive services funded by the Salesian Missions. The Salesians are led by nearly 30,000 priests, brothers and sisters who serve as Salesians of Don Bosco. They are the second largest religious order in the Catholic Church. They serve at more than 5,300 primary and secondary schools, administer 80 colleges, operate more than 150 clinics and hospitals, run more than 330 orphanages and shelters for homeless children, and run more than 90 adult education centers across the globe. They serve the Missions in Asia, Africa, the Middle-East, and South America.

*Thank your for your  
generous support next weekend.*



***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](http://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.

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