



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

Except on Christmas & New Years

Vigil Mass.....5:00 PM
Holyday Masses.....7:30 AM & 7:00 PM

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The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ June 30, 2019

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

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

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Parish Founded 1853



Parish Incorporated 1867



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Mass Intentions
 for the Week
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**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 JUNE 30, 2019**

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

Mass of Anticipation for the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM John Bucci—9th Anniversary

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00 AM Marie Brusci—1st Anniversary
 10:30AM Sylvia Forti—Birthday Remembrance

MONDAY, JULY 1

Weekday; St. Junipero Serra, Priest
 7:30AM Special Intention

TUESDAY, JULY 2

Weekday
 7:30AM Ann Vallely—Birthday Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

St. Thomas, Apostle
 7:30AM Neal J. Armstrong—1st Anniversary

THURSDAY, JULY 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

Weekday
 8:30AM Michael Devlin—81st Anniversary

FRIDAY, JULY 5

Weekday; St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal
 7:30AM David Gardner—Memorial

SATURDAY, JULY 6

Weekday; St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr; BVM
 8:30AM Raoul Roberts—4th Anniversary
Mass of Anticipation for the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Mary & James Winsper—Memorial

SUNDAY, JULY 7

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00 AM Thomas J. Brescia—7th Anniversary
 10:30AM John Joseph Tripode, Sr. —16th Anniversary





Dear Parishioners:

Last Sunday we celebrated Corpus Christi with a beautiful Eucharistic Procession following the 10:30AM Mass. Eucharistic processions first became a popular practice in the life of the Church during the 12th Century.

Pope Benedict XVI eloquently noted in a homily in 2007, *"It was born for the very precise purpose of openly reaffirming the faith of the people of God in Jesus Christ, alive and truly present in the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist. It is a feast that was established in order to publicly adore, praise and thank the Lord, who continues 'to love us to the end,' even to offering us his body and his blood."*

By processing with the Holy Eucharist in a reverent, prayerful and joyful manner, we honor Christ truly present in the Eucharist and serve as witnesses to the intimate presence of God in the world, and in each individual. The Eucharistic Procession powerfully displays the Incarnation, God becoming man, and thus speaks of his merciful love for all who journey to eternal life with him.

Our procession last Sunday was certainly solemn, reverent, joyful and prayerful. We give thanks to all who helped make it so: our ushers and the Canopy bearers, those who decorated, Altar Servers and the Choir.

The singing of the hymn, *Tantum Ergo*, was quite beautiful and moving. This hymn pays homage to our Lord both in the Eucharist, and in His glory in the Trinity. It comprises the last two stanzas of *Pange*

Lingua, a hymn written by Saint Thomas Aquinas for the Feast of Corpus Christi. This text has been set to music by composers as diverse as Palestrina, Mozart, Bruckner and Faure. And for nearly 1000 years Catholics have devoutly sang this hymn in honor of the Eucharistic Lord.

Saint Thomas Aquinas, considered one of the greatest theologians of the Church, valued faith as a key element of our worship of our Lord in the "sacred Host," the Eucharist! We as Catholics believe that Christ is present to us in the consecrated bread known as the Host.

This is true whether we receive Him in Holy Communion at Mass, or adore Him in the monstrance, or in the tabernacle. Our belief is that bread and wine once consecrated at Mass aren't just symbols of our Lord, but are indeed His body, blood, soul and divinity, has strong roots both in scripture and in the writings of numerous theologians going back to the 2nd century!

Although we see bread and wine it is truly our Savior, Jesus Christ, under the appearance of these elements. This doctrine is also called transubstantiation. St. Thomas himself was certainly no doubting Thomas about this dogma. As he once noted, Christ did not say at the Last Supper "this bread is my body" but rather "this is my body."

This wonderful miracle, when our Lord comes to give us His grace and support, occurs countless times every day in Masses all over the world! And every day, our Lord, like His faithful servant Saint Thomas Aquinas, invites us to see and

worship Him in the Blessed Sacrament through the eyes of faith! May we never take this great gift of the Eucharist for granted, and may we be always faithful to Sunday Mass!

Of course our celebration of Corpus Christi gave us the chance to thank our Senior Altar Servers. These young men and women have faithfully served the Eucharistic Lord at the altar of OLM. Some serving as many as ten years at Sunday Masses, weekday Masses, Holy Week, Christmas, Funerals and Weddings!

We are truly grateful for their example of service, reverence, and faith. Please continue to pray for them as they head off to the world of college! May they continue to grow in faith and love of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. May they continue to stay close to the Lord and His Church!

In the name of the Parish of Our Lady of Mercy, I offer my sincere and heartfelt thanks to Deacon John Dowd. He has served faithfully as our Parish Deacon these last few years, and now he moves on from our parish family. We wish Deacon, and Mrs. Dowd, much joy and happiness as they begin a new chapter in their lives. May God grant them His abundant blessings!

Happy Fourth of July! Don't forget there is no holiday from going to Sunday Mass! God Bless America! Be well. Do Good. Go Sox!

Father Healey



The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Last weekend we celebrated *Corpus Christi*, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ which was followed on Friday by the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. These two great feasts of the Church are inextricably linked to one another.

In every age and generation, the heart has been shown as a symbol of love and affection. So to, the Most Sacred Heart is the purest symbol of love as it depicts the heart which was consumed with sacrificial love for us. The gift of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is made possible through Christ's adherence to the will of the Father and the love of mankind that is in his heart.

The image of the Sacred Heart that we have come to know originates from a vision had by St. Margaret Mary Alacoque who after said: *"The Divine Heart was presented to me in a throne of flames, more resplendent than a sun, transparent as crystal, with this adorable wound. And it was surrounded with a crown of thorns, signifying the punctures made in it by our sins, and a cross above signifying that from the first instant of His Incarnation... the cross was implanted into it"*. The image of the Sacred Heart calls us to not only understand the effect of our sins, but to then see that Christ loves us through them even as they pierce his heart.

The month of June is dedicated by the Church to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We cast our eyes upon the heart of Christ and pray that our hearts would be conformed to the Sacred Heart. Our devotions to the Eucharist and Sacred Heart must be united. For it is in the Eucharist that the God who became man dwells. We receive His complete person, which includes His Heart. The same heart in which we are perfectly loved.

Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus are easily found and we should all strive to conform our hearts to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. That we might come to love with a more perfect love. So as June comes to an end let us be mindful of the Sacred Heart and echo the Church's prayer: "Jesus meek and humble of heart make my heart like yours".

Dan Mahoney



Weekly Collection

June 23, 2019

Weekly.....	\$18,949.00
EFT.....	\$2,015.00
	Total=\$20,964.00
Outreach.....	\$265.00

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 Collections
Next Week: Building & Grounds



INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY
THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2019

MASS AT 8:30AM

The Parish Office is closed for the holiday on Thursday, July 4 & Friday, July 5.

Our Lady of Mercy



2019
CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL
supporting the work of the Church

2019 Parish Goal=\$200,000
Pledged to Date=\$201,728
Number of Donors=451
Average Gift=\$447

Thank You for Generous Support!
We are over goal!! Thank You!!



Religious Education
NEWS

Online registration for the 2019-2020 RE Classes must be completed by THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

Please go to the parish website & register. Students in Grades 1-8 need to be registered and attend sequentially

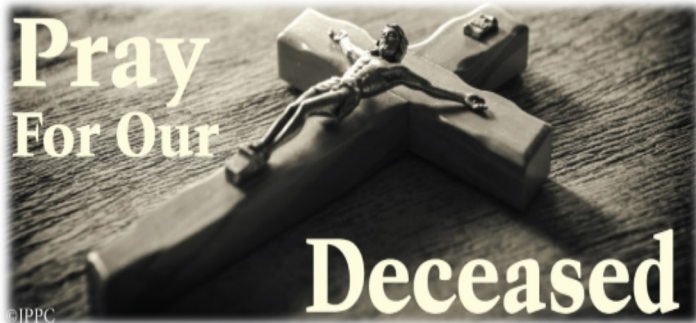


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Outreach
Update

- **OLM Food Pantry** is always in great need of any kind of non-perishable food items especially in the summer months. Please leave items in the Food Box in the vestibule.
- **OLM Bereavement Group meets Thursday, July 18th at 4:00PM in Mercy House.** All those experiencing grief or loss are welcome to join us for prayer, discussion and support.
- **For more information** about OLM Outreach, please contact OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 884-4410 or by email at outreach@olmparish.org



We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of **Francis (Frank) Joseph Wegrzyn** and **Rita McGoff** whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated at OLM last week.



Quo Vadis Summer Camp
July 28—31

Quo Vadis is Latin for "Where are you going?" Legend tells us that St. Peter asked Jesus this question on the outskirts of Rome. And we know where Jesus went in response to His Father's will. **Quo Vadis** is a camp for Catholic high school boys (from those entering ninth grade to those having just completed their senior grade year) to deepen their faith, learnt more about vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. It is a time of recreation, fellowship, and prayer. Priests and seminarians from around the Diocese of Providence will be present to lead conversations and offer witness talks. Activities will include prayer, daily Mass, recreation (games/sports), group discussions, witness talks, a challenge course, and more...The **Quo Vadis** camp will take place at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence in Providence (485 Mount Pleasant Avenue). For pictures and more information about the seminary, visit www.olpseminary.com or contact Fr. Barrow at associate@olmparish.org.

Thank You OLM Senior Altar Servers



Patrick Faherty, Ryan Dobrzynski, Sean Murphy, Charlotte Brockmann, & Marianna Toljan.
(Not pictured Christian Briody & Matthew Campellone)

We thank these young men and women for their many years of loyal and reverent service at God's Holy Altar and for their dedication to Our Lady of Mercy Parish. May God guide, protect and bless them in college.

"Lord of the Harvest, call forth vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from our diocese and our families..."

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