



THE CHURCH OF
Our Lady of Mercy



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

The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time* ✕ *June 5, 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Friday8:00 am - Noon

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Mass Intentions
 for the Week
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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 5, 2016

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

Mass of Anticipation for the 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Albert Catanio—2nd Anniversary

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00AM Stanley Berek—11th Anniversary Mass
 10:30AM Thomas Goodwin—Memorial

MONDAY, JUNE 6

Weekday/St. Norbert, Bishop
 7:30 AM Anne Alexander—Memorial

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

Weekday
 7:30AM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

Weekday
 7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

Weekday/St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church
 7:30AM Special Intention

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

Weekday
 7:30AM Irene Mello—6th Anniversary

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

St. Barnabas, Apostle
 8:30AM Alvarina Duc—Memorial

The Mass of Anticipation for 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Alfred J. Mastracchio—Memorial

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00 AM William J. & Margaret Ahern—Memorial
 10:30AM Antoinette Mulcahy—Memorial



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



Dear Parishioners:

God provided a beautiful day last Sunday for our celebration of Corpus Christi. Our new Deacon, Brian Morris, did a great job of proclaiming the Gospel and preaching his first homily. The Eucharistic

Procession led by Bishop Evans was truly beautiful. And the Reception for the new Deacon was made even more joyful with the great weather. My thanks to all those who made the day so reverent, prayerful and joyful!

We thank Deacon Morris for his commitment to pursuing his vocation to the priesthood. He is to begin his Diaconal Ministry at St. Eugene's Church in Chepachet this summer. He has one more year of theology and priestly formation while working at St. Eugene. With the grace of God he will be ordained a priest of Providence next June!

We congratulate him and thank his parents and brothers for helping to nurture his vocation to the priesthood. I ask that you continue to pray for Deacon Morris, but also to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood. We hope and pray that every family is as supportive as the Morris Family in promoting vocations to the priesthood.

This weekend we welcome Billy Burdier, our Summer Seminarian. He is to be with us for the next eight weeks. Please take a moment to say hello and welcome to Billy this weekend or when you see him around the parish, or around town. In your name, I officially welcome Billy to

Our Lady of Mercy!

While we are welcoming Billy's arrival we are also saying so-long to some members of our community. The OLM School Eighth Grade graduates this Tuesday night at 6:00pm. This Saturday we celebrate a Mass in their honor followed by a Dinner at the Quonset O Club. This is our chance as a parish family to pray for them as they prepare to end their academic career at OLM School and enter into the rigors of high school next fall.

We offer our prayerful congratulations to the OLM Class of 2016! However, we also offer our prayers and congratulations to all those graduating this year from high school, college, university or graduate school. This is the time of year when many of our parishioners prepare to enter into a new phase of their young lives as they mark the milestone of graduation.

Let us pray this prayer for them all:

Loving God, we ask for your almighty hand to be upon all those who graduate this year. Bless their lives with goodness and holiness, joy and love. Help them to stay true to their dreams, to use their gifts of knowledge and faith wisely, and to walk always with the Lord in all they say and do. May their future be filled with faith, hope, and great love. Amen.

While we say farewell to those graduating we also prepare to say farewell to Fr. Connors. As you know he is leaving Our Lady of Mercy this month to begin his

new assignment.

Father will celebrate his final Masses at OLM on the weekend of June 18/19. Appropriately enough it is Father's Day weekend! Father will then move to St. John's Seminary in Boston where he is to prepare for his doctoral studies this fall at the prestigious Angelicum University in Rome. Fr. Connors is keeping a room here at OLM so we hope, and expect, to see him when he is visiting home!

I ask you to please join us in honoring and thanking Fr. Connors for his ministry among us at OLM on Sunday, June 19th. There is to be a "Farewell Reception" in his honor at Mercy Park following the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, June 19th. So be sure to mark the date and time and stop by to say "Thank You and So Long Father Connors!"

We shall miss Fr. Connors here at OLM. I especially will miss him. He has been a truly wonderful Associate Pastor with whom I have shared joyfully in priestly ministry and fraternity these last three years. At this date I have not received word who is to replace Fr. Connors as our new Associate Pastor. However, I do expect to hear from Bishop Tobin in the coming weeks prior to the Priesthood Ordinations on June 25th.

Be well. Do Good. God Bless. Go Sox!

Father Healey



Dear Fr. Connors: What is a deacon and what can they do?

Our parish was richly blessed last week with the ordination to the transitional diaconate of Deacon Brian Morris. He prepares now to be ordained a priest next year.

The Sacrament of Holy Orders instituted by Jesus Christ is conferred in three degrees—bishops, priests, and deacons. When a man becomes a deacon, priest, or bishop we can properly speak of an ordination as a Sacrament is conferred. Becoming a monsignor or a cardinal, on the other hand, confers no sacramental grace and is simply a special recognition with special responsibilities.

When a man is ordained a deacon he is configured forever to Christ the servant. At that time he promises forever to respect and obey his bishop and to pray faithfully the Liturgy of the Hours. For those who are on the path to priesthood, it is at this time that they promise life-long celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

After the Second Vatican Council, the Church retrieved the tradition of ordaining a man a deacon without his going on to the priesthood. This is the so-called permanent diaconate (as opposed to transitional deacons who will be ordained priests). The Church has also permitted married men to be ordained permanent deacons.

The diaconate is rooted in Sacred Scripture. In the Acts of the Apostles, the early Church ordained seven men deacons, including Stephen who became the first martyr of the Church.

Deacons assist at Mass, proclaim the Gospel, and can on occasion give homilies. They distribute Holy Communion, officiate at weddings, preside at funeral services, and perform any manner of charitable works. Deacons are really ordained to serve. Through their service in any number of ways, they make sacramentally present the reality of Christian service after the model of Jesus.

Cardinal Sean O'Malley has pointed out that there is no real equivalent for deacons in the Old Testament. Those ordained specifically for charitable work, a Sacrament to configure a man for humble service, is a uniquely Christian phenomenon. While there are priests of the Old covenant, the diaconate is utterly unique to the New Law of grace.

NB: This is Fr. Connors final column! Next week and during the summer months we begin a new column entitled "Ask the Seminarian". Each week our Summer Seminarian Billy Burdier will answer your questions. We thank Fr. Connors for his wonderful columns and his keen insights about the Church and Her teachings.

Weekly Collection

May 29, 2016

Weekly.....	\$9,671.00
EFT.....	\$2,147.50
	Total=\$11,818.50
St. Patrick's Cemetery.....	\$2,736.50
Outreach.....	\$112.50

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.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Week: : Building & Grounds Collection
Next Week: Catholic Communications Collection



The OLM Parish Office will close at NOON on Fridays during the Months of June, July and August. Please plan accordingly.



Please Support the 2016 Catholic Charity Appeal

2016 Parish Goal = \$193,864

Pledged to date: \$250,864

Number of donors: 553

Average Gift = \$453

129% of Goal

Only 26% of parishioners participating to date!

Thanks for Your Generous Support!!!



- Tuesday, June 7th, 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony, at 6pm in OLM Church! Prayers and Congratulations to the Class of 2016!
- Thursday, June 9th is Field Day.
- Saturday, June 11 & Sunday, June 12, School Play: "Little Mermaid" School Play at EG High.

Discover the OLM Advantage!

www.olmschool.org



**2016 Our Lady of Mercy
Vacation Bible School
June 27—July 1, 2016
9:00am—12:00Noon
Kids aged 4—12**

VBS takes place at OLM School and is open to all families from OLM Parish and School. Registration fee is \$50 per child or \$100 per family. Contact Mr. Michael LaChima for more information, mlachimia@olmschool.org or 884-4968. Registrations will also take place after Masses this weekend.

**A Year in Rome:
Mercy & Mother Theresa
A Presentation by Fr. David Gaffney**



**Tuesday, June 28, 2016
Following 7:30AM OLM Daily Mass**

Fr. David Gaffney is a priest of the Diocese of Providence and currently serves as a Spiritual Director at the Pontifical North American College in Rome. He will deliver a presentation on some of the events associated with the Jubilee Year of Mercy and also the upcoming canonization of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Theresa) in September. Father Gaffney will celebrate the morning Mass on Tuesday, June 28 at 7:30am and then deliver his presentation in the OLM Cry Room. **Refreshments will be served. All are invited to attend.**

**A HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS
FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2016 AT 7:00PM
OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH**

Join us as we gather as Diocesan Church Family to pray for more vocations to the priesthood and also to pray for those men to be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 25, 2016 at the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul, Providence.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Congratulations to the Our Lady of Mercy School Class of 2016



Cecilia Bianchi	St. Mary Academy-Bay View
Lily Brockmann	LaSalle Academy
Collin Caldwell	Bishop Hendricken
Victoria Cannon	LaSalle Academy
Aiden Clarkin	Bishop Hendricken
Michael Couture	Bishop Hendricken
John Curran	Bishop Hendricken
Alexia DelVecchio	Lexington High School, SC
Ava Dzilenski	LaSalle Academy
Sierra Fiore	North Kingstown High School
Kelly Gallagher	LaSalle Academy
Tess Gleason	LaSalle Academy
Matthew Goppold	Bishop Hendricken
Michael Gregoire	Bishop Hendricken
Michael Hanlon	Bishop Hendricken
Dominick Hines	Bishop Hendricken
Andrew Hurley	Bishop Hendricken
Benjamin Kane	Bishop Hendricken
Madelynn Knudson	Portsmouth Abbey
Bradley Lombardi	Bishop Hendricken
Brooke Mattos	St. Mary Academy-Bay View
Timothy Moren	Bishop Hendricken
Susan Mueller	LaSalle Academy
Daniel Nygren	Bishop Hendricken
Grace Pelletier	St. Mary Academy-Bay View
Gianna Plante	East Greenwich High School
Erin Quarters	Cardinal Newman, SC
Ishita Rai	St. Mary Academy-Bay View
Matthew Simonetti	Bishop Hendricken
Elliana Spagnolo	St. Mary Academy-Bay View
Eric Tanionos	Bishop Hendricken
Miguel Torres	Bishop Hendricken
Andrew White	Bishop Hendricken
Elyse Yanusas	The Prout School