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JOHN 20:22



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Mass Intentions

for the Week
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**PENTECOST SUNDAY
 JUNE 9, 2019**

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

Vigil of Pentecost

5:00PM Albert Catanio—Memorial

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

The Solemnity of Pentecost

7:30 AM George V. McKenna—Memorial

9:00 AM Catherine & Michael Caparco—Memorial

10:30AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church

MONDAY, JUNE 10

Weekday

7:30AM Irene Mello—9th Anniversary

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

St. Barnabas, Apostle

7:30AM Carolyn Perretta—Birthday Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

Weekday

7:30AM Dina Coelho—1st Anniversary

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:30AM Msgr. William J. Carey—11th Anniversary

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

Weekday

7:30AM Joan O'Donnell—Memorial

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Weekday; BVM

8:30AM Dec'd of Pundys & Dikinis Families—Memorial

Mass of Anticipation for the Most Holy Trinity

5:00PM Joseph Hess—Birthday Remembrance

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

The Most Holy Trinity

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church

9:00 AM All Fathers

10:30AM All Fathers





Dear Parishioners:

Happy Pentecost! Today's feast is celebrated 50 days after Easter, and marks the day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles while they were cowering and hiding behind locked doors following Jesus' resurrection. After receiving the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, the apostles immediately went out and preached the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world.

In sending his Holy Spirit to the Apostles in the upper room, God invites each of us to join him in a passion for evangelizing the world and spreading the message that God loves us. We are Christ's witnesses to the world and our mission is to respond to the fire of God's love with our lives of faith and good works.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XV teaches: *"Dear friends, we must live according to the Spirit of unity and of truth, and for this we must pray that the Spirit enlighten us and lead us to overcome the fascination with following our own truths and instead the truth of Christ transmitted in the Church."*

Jesus, before ascending into heaven, asks the Apostles to remain together to prepare themselves to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. And they gather in prayer with Mary in the cenacle in expectation of the promised event (cf. Acts 1:14).

Today the Church – recollected as she was at her birth with Mary – prays: "Veni Sancte Spiritus!" – "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love!" Amen. "

On this Pentecost

Sunday, we also call down the Holy Spirit upon our OLM School 8th Grade. We ask the Holy Spirit to guide and protect them as they prepare for high school. The OLM 8th Graders join us at the 10:30AM Mass along with their families, and the OLM School Faculty. Each graduate is given a beautiful OLM School medal to commemorate their time at the school.

The OLM School Class of 2019 Graduation is on Monday, June 10th at 6:00PM in OLM Church. All parishioners are most welcome to join us at OLM School Graduation and wish our graduates congratulations and best wishes as they receive their diplomas.

Please continue to pray for these graduates as they leave our parish school and enter high school. May they be guided by the Holy Spirit and continue to grow in faith, holiness, grace and wisdom. I pray they heed the bold words of St. Catherine of Siena *"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."*

On Saturday morning, two new priests were ordained for our Diocese of Providence, Father Eric Silva and Father Brendan Rowley. They now begin their priestly ministry and move to their new parish assignments. We offer them prayerful congratulations and best wishes. *Ad multos annos!*

As Father Silva and Father Rowley begin their priestly life and ministry, let us pray for them, and their priesthood. St. Therese of Lisieux, the Little Flower, has a wonderful prayer for priests that we might offer for the newly

ordained, and indeed all priests:

"O Jesus, eternal Priest, keep your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood. Let Your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown."

Fathers Day is next Sunday, and Masses are to be offered for all Fathers and in particular for those whose names are inscribed on the Fathers Day Memorial envelopes. Let us pray for Fathers, that through the intercession of good St. Joseph, they might be strengthened in the gift of Fatherhood. We also remember at Mass, and in prayer our deceased Fathers and we ask them to pray for us!

Happy Pentecost! Our heartfelt congratulations to the OLM Class of 2019, and also to the newly ordained Fathers Silva and Rowley! OLM School ends this Friday and summer vacation begins for our students and teachers. May it be happy and healthy. God Bless! Be well. Do Good. Go Sox. Go Bruins!

Father Healey



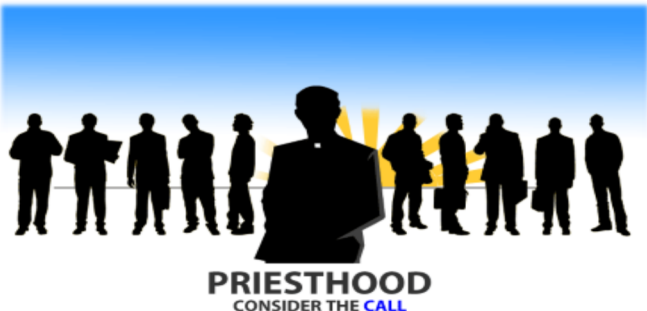
Growing up in a Navy family I moved frequently in my childhood. While moving often there were always two constants in my life, faith and family. No matter where my family moved or traveled, my parents always made sure that we were at Mass on Sunday. I learned the importance of attending Sunday Mass and receiving our Lord in the Eucharist at a very early age.

Moving often also allowed me to meet many great priests throughout my childhood. The most important priest in my young life was our pastor in Germany, Fr. Bill. I won't say that I understood completely the importance of the priesthood as a second and third grader, but I did see the joy and love for the priesthood and the people he was serving. Fr. Bill was a shining example of how to live out one's vocation with joy. As a third grader I wasn't sure if I wanted to be a priest, but I was sure that I wanted to be like Fr. Bill.

I always took that joy with me, and it grew as I grew in my faith. Throughout high school I taught religious education and was involved in youth ministry. However, it wasn't until I went to serve with N.E.T. Ministries that I began to mature in my faith. That year gave me the opportunity to focus on prayer, especially with scripture. Christ truly began to shape my heart and my desire to know him grew more. I would return home from that year still searching for what I was being called to in life. However, I knew that it would be serving the Lord's Church in some way.

A few years later while still working in the restaurant industry I felt God calling me to give more. I remember sitting in my church and saying, "God the only way I can give you more is to give everything". Later that night, after confession, the priest asked me if I had ever considered the priesthood. The truth was that I had, and that my life and prayer had been moving me in that direction. That was the push I needed to contact the vocations director. I entered the seminary the next year and have never looked back. I am now two years away from ordination to the priesthood and am very thankful to those who continue to pray for me and encourage me in this great calling

Dan Mahoney



PRIESTHOOD
CONSIDER THE CALL

Weekly Collection

June 2, 2019

Weekly.....	\$10,500.00
EFT.....	\$1,562.00
	Total=\$12,062.00
Outreach.....	\$1,490.00
Building & Grounds.....	\$2,981.00
Ascension Holy Day.....	\$3,057.00

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

This Week: Catholic Communications



Our Lady of Mercy
 2019 Parish Goal=\$200,000
 Pledged to Date=\$196, 613
 Number of Donors=433
 Average Gift=\$454

Please make your pledge today!
Thank You for Generous Support!



Summer Office Hours

OLM Parish Office

Monday – Thursday: 8:00AM to 4:00PM

Fridays: 8:00AM – 12:00Noon

Summer Office Hours are during June, July & August.



- **Monday, June 10:** 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony at 6PM
- **Thursday, June 13:** Pre-K Graduation at 8:30AM & Kindergarten Graduation at 9:00AM
- **Friday, June 14:** Last Day of School! Early dismissal!

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Religious Education NEWS

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

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

REGISTER NOW!

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, June 20th 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



The OLM School PTC invite you to

**A Farewell Reception for
 Scott W. Fuller
 Retiring OLM School Principal**

**The East Greenwich Fireman's Club
 Thursday, June 13th, 2019
 5:00PM—7:00PM**

*Light refreshments will be served,
 and children are welcome to attend!*

CONGRATULATIONS
on your achievement!



Happy Graduation Day!

Our Lady of Mercy School
Class of 2019

Mark Emmet Andraka
Samantha L. Baker
Faith Rose Basler
Sophie Brunner
Benjamin J. Buckley
Connor M. Caldwell
Alison E. Campion
Jack Edward Ciunci
Kyler Joseph de Bont
Kaden Michael DiBattista
Brian Stephen Garrepy
Zachary J. Grant
Luke Dennis Handy
Aidan Patrick Hayes
Kiley DeCosta Hayes
Connor Patrick Igoe
Jayci Rose Izzi
Austin Alan Kairnes
Nicholas Joseph Komari
Jacob Brennan Kopech
Gabriella Joan Lamendola
Madeleine R. Laviolette
Devin Michael Lynch
Collin B. Martin
Olivia Ann Mattos
Katherine Grace Murphy
Julianna Emilia Ourique
Meghan Elizabeth Pagliaro
Olivia Rose Passaretti
Sean Michael Pedro
Finnigan Schwoebel
Luke Steven Simms
Thomas Michael Simonetti
Deirdre Lily Stockdill
Blake Denton Sykes
Emma Marie van Meeteren
Morgan Elizabeth Verdi
Aidan J. Weiss

Bishop Hendricken H. S.
East Greenwich High School
East Greenwich High School
North Kingstown H. S.
St. George's School
North Kingstown H.S.
The Prout School
Bishop Hendricken H.S.
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
Lancaster Catholic H.S., PA
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
North Kingstown H. S.
East Greenwich High School
Narragansett High School
St. George's School
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
Rocky Hill School
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
The Prout School
The Prout School
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Bay View Academy
LaSalle Academy
Ponagansett H. S.
East Greenwich High School
East Greenwich High School
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
St. Raphael's Academy
LaSalle Academy
Bishop Hendricken H. S.
Rocky Hill School
The Prout School
North Kingstown
The Prout School
Bishop Hendricken H. S.

Pentecost



On this day of Pentecost, we celebrate the full realization of Christ's work in the coming of the Holy Spirit who confers upon the Christian community strength and courage to live and proclaim the Gospel.

Easter, the church's first celebration of special note, dates back to the second century, and from early on was kept within the context of a fifty-day period called Pentecost. Pentecost as a separate celebration, however, was not established until the fourth century.

In the early church, those not quite ready for baptism at the Easter Vigil were baptized at the vigil of Pentecost.



**JOYOUS
PENTECOST!**

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