



THE CHURCH OF

Our Lady of Mercy



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

† 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

Our Lady of Mercy School

Mr. Scott W. Fuller

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter ✕ May 19, 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 - Friday.....8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Mrs. Sandra A. Demers, Parish Secretary

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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.

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Parish Founded 1853



Parish Incorporated 1867



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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 MAY 19, 2019**

SATURDAY, MAY 18

Mass of Anticipation for 5th Sunday of Easter
 5:00PM Patrick Durand—Birthday Remembrance

SUNDAY, MAY 19

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00 AM Elsie Calore—Memorial
 10:30AM Edward V. Healey, Jr.—7th Anniversary
 5:00PM Mary G. Cooper—Memorial

MONDAY, MAY 20

Easter Weekday; St. Bernadine of Siena, Priest
 7:30AM Mariakutty Peter—Memorial

TUESDAY, MAY 21

Easter Weekday: St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest & Companions, Martyrs
 7:30AM Edward V. Healey, Jr.—7th Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

Easter Weekday; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
 7:30AM Special Intention

THURSDAY, MAY 23

Easter Weekday
 7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, MAY 24

Easter Weekday
 7:30AM Bishop Robert E. Mulvee—Memorial

SATURDAY, MAY 25

Easter Weekday; St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi, Virgin
 8:30AM Emily & Frederick Miller—Memorial

Mass of Anticipation for the 6th Sunday of Easter
 5:00PM Deceased of Bess & Truppa Families—Memorial

SUNDAY, MAY 26

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00 AM George V. McKenna—1st Anniversary
 10:30AM Susan Metzger—Memorial
 5:00PM Grayce Hruda—Memorial





Dear Parishioners:

Our OLM Principal, Mr. Scott W. Fuller is retiring at the end of the school year. I am grateful for his tremendous leadership of our parish school and wish him well in his much deserved retirement. As Mr. Fuller's replacement, I am happy to tell you that I have appointed Mr. Patrick H. McNabb as the new Principal of Our Lady of Mercy School.

Mr. McNabb holds a B.A. in History from Haverford College and a M.Ed. in Administration and Supervision from National Louis University. With experience in teaching and administration, he has served as a coach, classroom teacher, and Vice-Principal.

Since 2016, he has served as Middle School Religion Teacher and Director of Faith Formation at Holy Name Church, and School, in Fall River, MA. Previous to working at Holy Name School, McNabb began his career in education at the Shelby Middle School, in Shelby, Mississippi, for Teach for America.

He went on to serve as Middle School Teacher and then Vice-Principal at KIPP DC: KEY Academy in Washington, DC and as Vice-Principal of KIPP DC: College Preparatory in Washington, DC. Principal McNabb and his wife are parishioners of St. Barnabas Church in Portsmouth, RI, and are the parents of two young children.

With Mr. McNabb's appointment we begin another great chapter in the history of our parish school. I am confident that his skillful, and faith-filled, leadership of Our Lady of Mercy

School will build on the tradition of strong, faith, and academic excellence.

He brings a wealth of educational experience, an abundance of energy and talent, and most importantly a strong commitment to his Catholic Faith. In your name, I welcome him to our parish family and look forward to his leadership of our wonderful parish school.

I wish to thank Mr. Greg Paolino, Chair of the OLM School Board, who led our Principal Search Committee. He and the committee members did an outstanding job finding great candidates for the position. I am grateful for their insight and guidance in the search for a new principal for OLM School.

Two of our longtime OLM School Teachers, Miss Paula Noll and Mrs. Donna Beaulieu, are to retire at the end of the school year. They have taught at OLM for many years, and both are excellent educators who are dedicated to their students and committed to Catholic Education. In your name, I offer our deep gratitude for their years of service to the students of OLM School. *Ad multos annos!*

On Saturday night we had our Annual Spring Fling in support of OLM School. This great night of fun includes both a live and silent auction. All the proceeds go to support our mission of teaching the future saints and scholars of our world and Church. I am grateful to the Spring Fling Committee for organizing another great night.

There are always some great auction items; like front row tickets to Hamilton on Broadway, Red Sox and Patriots

tickets, a day cruise to Newport on a luxury yacht, a stay at Block Island's premier hotel, the Spring House, Hi-Lo Jack Night at the Regency Cigar Emporium with Fr. Healey and Fr. Barrow, and of course, dinner in the OLM Rectory with the Fathers!

I thank the many generous supporters of OLM School for their donations and their generous support of our mission. This event raises much needed, and critical, funds to keep that mission going for our parish, school and Church. Thanks for all those who make this event fun, and also a great success!

Our Parish Deacon John Dowd is moving! He and his wife, Cathy, have sold their home in North Kingstown and are headed south to retired life in Wakefield. Unfortunately, this means he is leaving OLM. Deacon Dowd has been an important part of our parish family and we thank him for his ministry here at OLM. He will be with us until the end of June, and we will offer him our public thanks in the coming weeks.

This week another celebration is coming to OLM. One of our parish priests is turning the "Big Three O" and it's not me! Thirty was a long time ago for me! Yes, Fr. Barrow turns 30 on Tuesday! So be sure to wish him a Happy Birthday! Join us on Monday for May Devotions! Be well. Do Good. Go Sox and Bruins! Happy Birthday Fr. Barrow!!!



Why do we confess our sins to a priest?

Whenever someone asks this question, they always follow by saying: "I simply tell God my sins." The people who ask this question very often don't come at it from a theological point of view. They are not questioning the efficacy of the sacraments or God's mercy, rather they ask it looking for an excuse or a rationalization. They do not want to put in the work of confession. They want cheap grace. They want the feeling of forgiveness, rather than the real thing.

Fortunately the person understands one essential step in order for sins to be forgiven: the realization that we sin. Yet, that first essential step does not mean that God will forgive us (even if we tell him our sins). Before the coming of Christ, people told God their sins all the time, and yet they were not forgiven. When we sin we break the unity between us and God. Something needs to occur in order to restore that unity. What is it, and can we do it?

The Jews offered sacrifice. This involved going to Jerusalem and offering up a turtle dove, a lamb, an oxen or another animal depending on the sin in order to make recompense. Unfortunately, the sacrifice of animals did not restore the unity and forgive sins. The Jews had one thing correct: the concept of sacrifice to make up for sin. Yet, animal sacrifices do not have the power to restore the link between God and man; how could they? Something else would be needed. Behold, God sends his Son to enact a new and everlasting covenant. He is the Lamb of God who sacrifices his life for the salvation of souls and the forgiveness of sins.

How do individuals in the present tap into that awesome event? He passes the power to forgive sins to his apostles, bishops and priests through history: "whose sins you forgive are forgiven." So when a person goes to the confessional he or she participates in the sacrifice which has the power to forgive sins. We never say, "I don't need to be baptized, I simply need to pray to God and he makes me his son or daughter." Likewise, telling your sins to God is not enough. Thanks be to God that He has given us the Sacrament of Confession for the forgiveness of sins committed after Baptism.



Confessions at OLM

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

Weekly Collection 

May 5, 2019

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| Weekly..... | \$11,854.00 |
| EFT..... | \$3,033.00 |
| | Total=\$14,887.00 |
| Outreach..... | \$582.00 |

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.

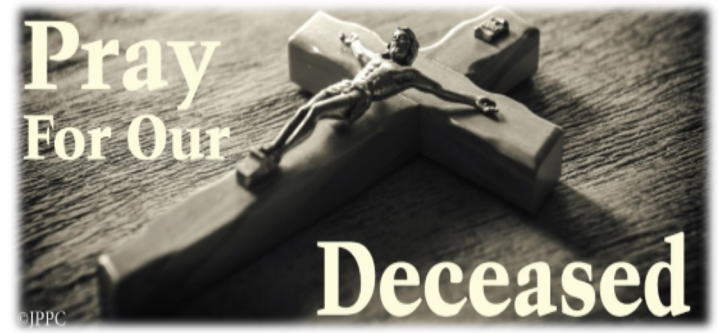
**Second Collections
Next Week: St. Patrick Cemetery**



2019
CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL
Supporting the work of the Church

**Our Lady of Mercy
2019 Parish**
Goal=\$200,000
Pledged to Date=\$163,530
Number of Donors=401
Average Gift=\$408

Thank You for Generous Support!



We offer our prayers and condolences to the family of **Victor S. Lusignan** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at OLM last week.



● **Tuesday, May 21:** OLM School Weekly Mass at 8:15AM. All are welcome to attend.

● **Wednesday, May 22:** OLM Art Show.

● **Friday, May 24:** No School due to Teachers' Professional Development Day.

Discover the OLM Difference!

www.olmschool.org

OLM MAY DEVOTIONS MONDAYS AT 7PM



Join us for the Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction every Monday in the Month of May at 7:00PM in OLM Church.

"A man is no true Christian if he has no devotion to the Mother of Jesus Christ."--Saint John Eudes

Outreach Update

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

● **OLM Bereavement Group** meets **Thursday, June 6th at 4:00PM in Mercy House.** All those experiencing grief or loss is 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

faith music games snacks
crafts **CAT CHAT** fun prizes
Vacation Bible School

CATHLETICS!

TRAINING TO BE CHAMPIONS FOR CHRIST



Who: Kids ages 4 to 12

Where: Our Lady Of Mercy

When: June 24, 2019 to June 28, 2019

Time: 9:00 am- 12:00am

Cost: \$50 to \$100 per family

Contact: Mr. Burdier and Parish Office

Registration Deadline: May 31st



5PM SUNDAY EVENING MASS

Please note the 5:00PM Sunday Evening Mass ends next Sunday, May 26th. It resumes on Sunday, September 1st.

Congratulations to the OLM First Communion Class

Lola Berube
Calvin Buffington
Alison Burch
Cecilia Cambio
Davi Carneiro
Vitor Carneiro
Charlotte Cipriani
Joseph Cozzo
Brendan Danehy
Abigail D'Amato
Nathaniel DeCesare
Domenic DeGraide
Stephanie DiGianfilippo
Addison Fleming
Sienna Giardino
Alessandro Gomez
Lylah Goudailler
Grant Goudie
Madeline Graves
Nuala Guckian
Molly Hanlon
Lucas Hepel

Isabela Inocencio
Timothy Jennings
Ryan Johnston
Alexa Kanelos
Andrew Kavanagh
Mia Kelly
Kallie Kopec
Sienna Koppen
Nathanael Lamendola
Katherine LaPlante
Annika Liu
Daniel Mahoney
Elle Marcks
Owen McCall
Joshua Meleski
Annabel Morgan
Amelia Murphy
Samuel Murphy
Noah Napolitano
Ava Ocfemia
James O'Hare
Marco Paletta

Evan Pitney
Aaliyah Puente
Raymond Rainville
Liam Reynolds
Anthony Risk
Hailey Roberts
Siena Rocchio
Olivia Roland
Josephine Rozen
Penelope Ruggiero
Luca Serrecchia
Catherine Sheeran
Charlotte Sheeran
Erin Sheeran
Gavin Solas
Holly Speranza
Luke Tremble
Serafina Trotta
Thomas Weekers
Griffin Welsh
Michelle Wilson



Ambassadors for Christ in the Marketplace



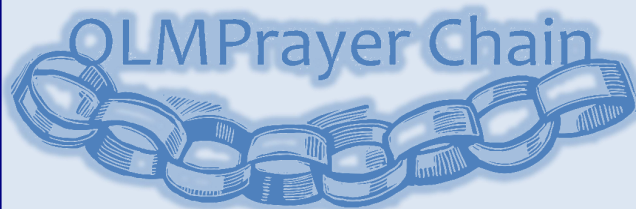
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Our Rhode Island Chapter is welcoming new members.

Please contact John Knowles,
Legatus Director,
at 215-262-3832 or jknowles@legatus.org

Learn more about Legatus fellowship, events and resources at

Legatus.org



Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our active Prayer Chain. The power of pray is tremendous and many successful results have been reported back. Anyone wishing to join the Prayer Chain as a caller, or simply as one who prays for others and their intentions, please call Mary Hart at 884-5629 or email directly at 2hart@cox.net.

If you know someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any serious reason please call us!