



THE CHURCH OF
Our Lady of Mercy



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

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ November 13, 2016

† **MASS SCHEDULE** †

Weekend

Saturday Mass of Anticipation.....4:00 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 3:00 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.

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 13, 2016

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Mass of Anticipation for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00PM Victor Matricciano—Birthday Remembrance

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00 AM Deceased of Shunney & Maxwell Families—Mem.
 10:30AM Miriam Gossmann—6th Anniversary
 5:00PM James Riley—1st Anniversary

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Weekday
 7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Weekday; St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 7:30AM Deborah Anderson—2nd Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Weekday; St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
 7:30AM Bernard Frezza, Jr.—Memorial

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
 7:30AM Thomas F. McAndrew—10th Anniversary

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

*Weekday; The Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul;
 St Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin*
 7:30AM Maureen Connelly—Memorial

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Weekday; BVM
 8:30AM Special Intention
Vigil Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 4:00PM Steven Simms—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00 AM Joan Montaquila—Memorial
 10:30AM Jennie Longo—10th Anniversary
 5:00PM Martin Towey—Memorial





Dear Parishioners:

On Tuesday after the 7:30am Mass, Fr. Barrow and I made our way to the Swift Community Center to cast our votes. Little did we know that we would be up until the wee hours of the morning awaiting the results of the Presidential Election. Like most of America, and most likely many of you, we watched all night as election results came in slowly. We learned who the 45th President was to be at around 3:00am! Now we must pray for President-Elect Donald J. Trump and the Congress-Elect.

I hope and pray that our nation can accept the election results without rancor and work for national unity. Let us pray for the President-Elect that God might guide and protect him and our nation. May he serve the common good of all people and lead our nation to peace and prosperity. May God truly bless America!

On last Saturday night at the 4:00PM Mass the OLM Basketball Teams kicked off their new Catholic Athletic League Season. They received their uniforms and also a special blessing at the Mass. We wish all the coaches and players another great season!

Last Sunday following the 5:00pm Mass Fr. Barrow and I attended the OLM School Cross Country Banquet. The Boys and Girls Teams were made up of fifty-three of our Middle School students, the largest team in the Diocese. The OLM Boys Team were State Champions! We congratulate the coaches and the teams on a great year.

We also remembered the many OLM parishioners who died this past year at Mass last Sunday. I ask you to continue to pray for the repose of their souls and for the consolation of their grieving

families. Following the Mass we processed to St. Patrick's Cemetery to pray for the dead who rest in that sacred ground. Many of the souls there have been there since the 19th century and have no one left to pray for them. Please pray for their souls.

Visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead is an ancient and venerable tradition of our Catholic Faith. The practice of praying for the dead is rooted first in our Catholic belief in the everlasting life promised in Jesus' teachings and by his disciple's experience that God had raised him from the dead. After death, even though separated from our earthly body, we yet continue a personal existence. It is as living persons that God invites us into a relationship whose life transcends death.

Our prayers for the dead begin at the moment of death. When a friend or family member dies, we immediately pray for them. This prayer continues with Vigil Prayers at the Wake and then the offering of the greatest prayer, the Mass of Christian Burial. The continued prayer of our beloved dead is also why families have Masses offered for their loved ones on the anniversary of their death.

These prayers express hope for the dead that God will free the person who has died from any burden of sin and prepare a place for them in Heaven. Thus we pray for the souls in Purgatory. In this state of Purgatory, the faithful departed depend on our prayers and sacrifices to aid them in this process, and so we gladly offer our prayers for them in various ways individually and collectively.

It is an unfortunate mistake that many people in our

culture today dismiss this important practice of our faith. Many would like to just assume that their loved ones have gone to Heaven and therefore see no need to pray for the repose of their souls. To offer prayers for the dead is in no way a lack of hope on our part, but rather, an expression of true love for them and a firm trust in God's infinite mercy.

Holy Mass, of course, is the absolute best prayer for the dead. It makes the redemptive sacrifice of Christ present again on the altar and, in God's gracious providence, allows us to ask that this redemptive power be applied to the one for whom we pray.

As we continue this month of November dedicated to the Poor Souls in Purgatory, let us offer many prayers and sacrifices for those who await their entrance into Heaven. May we be especially mindful of the profound assistance offered to those souls each time we come to Mass and every time we have a Mass offered for our beloved dead. *May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

I am away in Baltimore attending the Annual Winter Meeting of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. As a consultant to the Committee on Marriage I have meetings to attend while there. Please continue to pray for the dead. Go visit the dead at the cemetery and pray for them. Book a Mass and have Masses offered for a deceased loved ones. Be well. Do good. God Bless. Go Pats!

Father Healey

Christ the King



Now celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the solemnity of Christ the King was originally observed on the last Sunday of October.

Established by Pope Pius XI in 1925, it was one factor in the church's response to the political turmoil leading up to World War II.

This feast with its emphasis on Christ's second coming and final sovereignty over all creation is the perfect note on which to end one year and look forward to the next.



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Weekly Collection

November 6, 2016

Weekly.....	\$13,121.50
EFT.....	\$1,692.50
	Total=\$14,814.00
Outreach.....	\$1,325.50
Building & Grounds.....	\$3,332.50
Annual (to date).....	\$64,061.00

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.

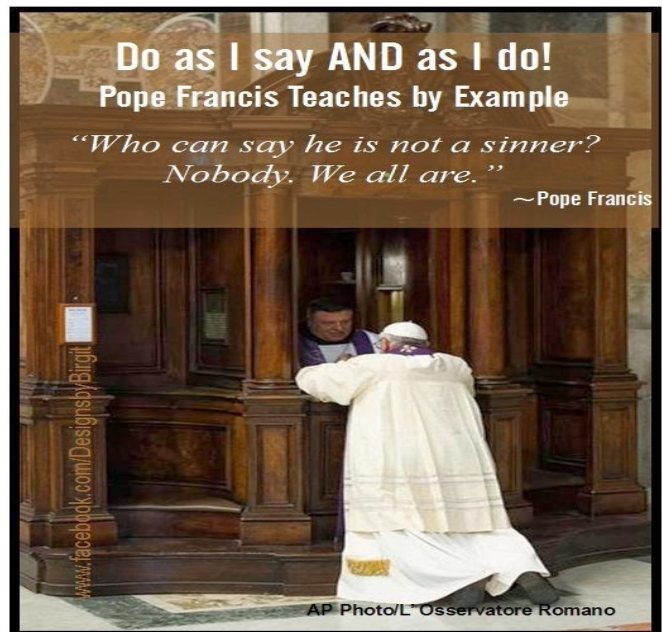
Thank you for your generous support!

Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will or estate.



SECOND COLLECTIONS

Next Weekend: The Catholic Campaign for Human Development



Confessions at OLM

Mondays: 6:00PM—6:45PM
Saturdays: 3:00PM—3:45PM



Religious Education NEWS

- **All RE Classes meet this weekend:** Grades 1-5, 10:00am—11:00am; Grades 6-8, 6:00pm—7:00pm.
- No RE Classes on November 27th due to Thanksgiving Day.



Outreach Update

- **The OLM Food Pantry** is always in need of non-perishable food items. Please deposit all donated food in the box in the Church vestibule.

Thank you for your loyal and generous support.

- **OLM Bereavement Group** meets on Thursday, November 17th at 4:00PM at Mercy House. All those experiencing a loss, grieving or lonely are invited to attend.

- **For more information**, contact OLM Outreach Director Doug Green at 884-4410 or via email at outreach@olmparish.org



- Weekly Mass, Wednesday, November 16th at 8:15am. All are welcome to join us.
- Catholic Youth Conference - 6th, 7th & 8th grade, Thursday November 17th.

Discover the OLM Advantage!

www.olmschool.org



OLM Youth Group meets weekly on Thursdays from 6:00-7:30. We invite all high school students (Grades 9-12) to join us!

For more information contact, Michael LaChima, OLM Youth Activities Coordinator, via email at mlachimia@olmschool.org



PRAY FOR AMERICA



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Prayer After An Election



God of all nations, Father of the human family, we give you thanks for the freedom we exercise and the many blessings of democracy we enjoy in these United States of America.

We ask for your protection and guidance for all who devote themselves to the common good, working for justice and peace at home and around the world.

We lift up all our duly elected leaders and public servants, those who will serve us as president, as legislators and judges, those in the military and law enforcement.

Heal us from our differences and unite us, O Lord, with a common purpose, dedication, and commitment to achieve liberty and justice in the years ahead for all people, and especially those who are most vulnerable in our midst. Amen.



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OUR LADY'S



ROSARY MAKERS

Rosary Makers Workshop

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

9:30am—11:30am

OLM Church Cryroom

Join us in making Rosaries for the World Missions!

Instructions and materials are provided.

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) 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.

To get started log on to: <http://www.olmparish.org> and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps.

ENSURE YOUR WEEKLY SUPPORT OF OLM PARISH WHILE AWAY ON VACATION or IN FLORIDA!!!!