



THE CHURCH OF
Our Lady of Mercy



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

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time* ✘ **November 6, 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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Mass Intentions for the Week

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 6, 2016

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Mass of Anticipation for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00PM Robert Donatelli—3rd Anniversary

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

9:00 AM Vincent Lanna—8th Anniversary

10:30AM Joann Vito—7th Anniversary

5:00PM Jean Arruda—Memorial

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Weekday

7:30AM Special Intention

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Weekday

7:30AM Johnny Hwang—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:30AM Harry Mariani—Memorial

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

7:30AM Tom & Betty Kelly—Memorial

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11—VETERANS' DAY HOLIDAY

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:30AM All Deceased Veterans

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

8:30AM Robert "Bob" Belanger—Memorial

Mass of Anticipation for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00PM Victor Matricciano—Birthday Remembrance

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

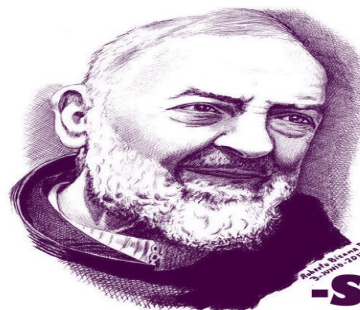
The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



**We must
 empty
 Purgatory
 with our
 prayers.**

-St. Padre Pio



Dear Parishioners:

We remember during this All Souls Month of November our beloved dead. We commend them to God's mercy in our payers, light candles for them and we have Holy Mass offered for the repose of their souls. It is the ancient and venerable tradition of our Church to pray for the dead.

In a special way at Sunday's 10:30am Mass we remember our beloved OLM Parishioners who died this past year and we continue to commend them to God with our prayers. We also pray for the consolation of their grieving families. We are to process to St. Patrick's Cemetery to pray for all the many souls at rest in that sacred ground. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.*

Just three weeks ago, Pope Francis canonized a 14 year old Mexican martyr named Jose Sanchez del Rio a Saint of our Church. In 1927 civil war racked Mexico and the Church was persecuted. Many Catholics began to defend their civil and religious freedom with armed resistance.

Jose Sanchez del Rio joined these Catholic fighters, called "Cristeros" for their distinctive battle cry: "Long live Christ the King!" When government forces captured him, they offered him a pardon and various rewards if he would reject his Catholic faith. But the 14 year old boy responded: "My faith is not for sale."

And so they tortured this faithful fourteen year old boy. When they reached the place of execution, his captors stabbed him numerous times with bayonets. Jose shouted out: "I will never give in. Viva Cristo Rey!" "Long live Christ the King!"

Moments before his death,

the young boy drew a cross in the dirt and kissed it. St. Jose Sanchez del Rio died refusing to forsake his Lord or his Catholic Faith. May he intercede for us.

On Tuesday our nation elects a new President and Congress, our state a new General Assembly and our Town a new Council. Contrary to what the media and some in so-called polite society say, there is a deep connection between faith and politics. We must recognize our call and responsibility to be faithful citizens, not just citizens. This is part of our Catholic identity.

Saint Augustine used the expression "*citizens of two cities*," the city of God and the city of Man. We are citizens of both. We can't forget this truth. Jesus Himself taught us: "*We are in the world, but we are not to be of the world.*" We are citizens of two cities, two worlds: earth and heaven, human society and the Church.

When we go into the voting booth on Tuesday, we shouldn't leave our faith outside. We must not renounce our citizenship in heaven or our citizenship in the Church when we exercise our American citizenship. We don't cease to be citizens of heaven, members of the city of God, when we exercise our right to vote as American citizens, as citizens of the earthly city.

We must bring to the public square what our faith teaches about human dignity, the sacredness of human life, the truth about marriage and the family, the dignity of work, the importance of justice and peace. These aren't optional topics of our faith.

We must look at the candidates' positions on a range of issues, recognizing at the same time, that some issues are more

important than others. In fact, all stem from our teaching on the sanctity of all human life from conception until natural death.

The teachings of our Lord and His Church are not optional for Catholics – they are part of our faith. Be brave in the public square, do not to be afraid to stand up for the truth of the Gospel and the teachings of the Church.

We are citizens of two worlds, of two cities. Let's not lose sight of our responsibilities in either. We should be active in political life, but not more Republican or Democrat than Catholic. And so we must think deeply and clearly before we vote. We also need to fervently pray before we vote.

We need to bring God into the voting booth with us on Tuesday and not leave him at our bedside with our morning prayers or back in the pew on Sunday. We must turn to God after we vote too and pray, perhaps even more fervently, for those who are elected to lead our nation, state and town.

On Tuesday, November 8th as we enter the voting booth may the words of St. Jose Sanchez del Rio be ours: "*My faith is not for sale.*" Our faith should not be for sale to any candidate or any political party. *Viva Christo Rey! Long live Christ the King!*

On Friday we celebrate Veterans Day and remember the many men and women who have served our nation in the armed forces. Keep them in your prayers and thank them for their service. Happy Veterans Day! God Bless America! Be well. Do good. God Bless. Go Pats!

Father Healey

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS
CHANGE OF START TIME**



The 5:00PM Mass on Saturday Evening will move back to a 4:00PM start time on **THIS SATURDAY, November 5, 2016**. Also Confessions move back to 3:00PM from 4:00PM on Saturdays beginning on **Saturday, November 5, 2016**.

Please plan accordingly.



Get ready for an extra hour of sleep on Sunday, November 6th. That's when the clocks fall back at 2 a.m., ending Daylight Saving Time (DST) until Sunday, March 12, 2017



Veterans Day Holiday
Friday, November 11, 2016
Mass at 8:30am
The Parish Office is closed for the holiday.

Catholics Care.
Catholics Vote.

Weekly Collection

October 30, 2016

Weekly.....	\$12,145.50
EFT.....	\$2,204.50
	Total=\$14,350.00
Outreach.....	\$248.00
Annual (to date).....	\$55,531.00

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.



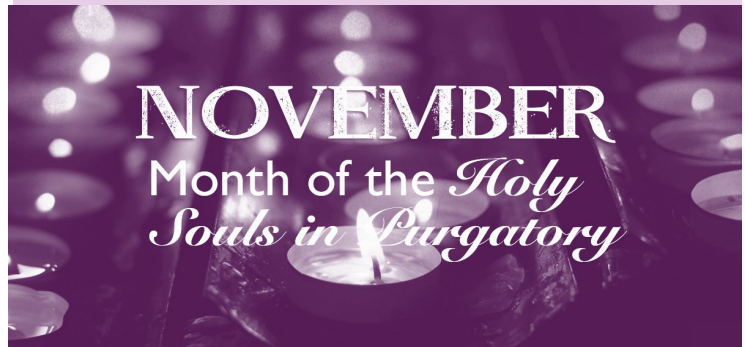
SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Weekend: Building & Grounds Collection



We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of Our Lady of Mercy Parishioners **Louis Vallone, Lisa Tanner and Edward Tudino** whose Masses of Christian Burial was celebrated here last week.

May they rest in peace.





Religious Education NEWS

- **Mandatory First Communion Parent Meeting:** Wednesday, November 9th at 7pm in OLM School Cafeteria. *One parent must attend.*
- **All RE Classes meet this weekend:** Grades 1-5, 10:00am-11:00am; Grades 6 - 8, 6:00pm-7:00pm.



- Tuesday, November 8th, Mobile Fish & Loaves for Middle School
- Weekly School Mass, Thursday, November 10th at 8:15am, All Welcome to attend.
- No School on Veterans Day, Friday, November 11th.

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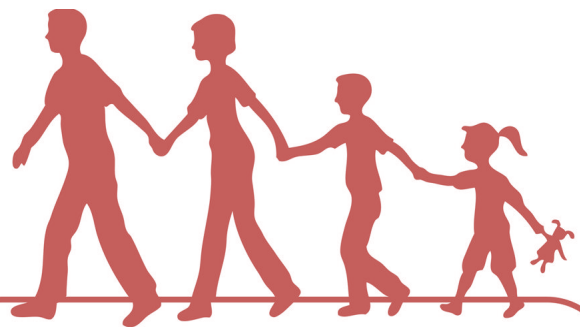
Outreach Update

● 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



OLM YOUNG FAMILIES

OLM Young Families Meeting
Thursday, November 10, 2016
5:30—7:00PM, OLM School Cafeteria

All young families are most welcome to come to join with us in fellowship and conversation about our Catholic faith. The topic for this meeting is Natural Family Planning with our guest speaker, Fr. Nick Fleming.

*Babysitting is available for your children
and Pizza served for dinner!*

For more information or just to learn more about our group contact Coordinator Kate Jelinek at: Kate_Jelinek@hotmail.com

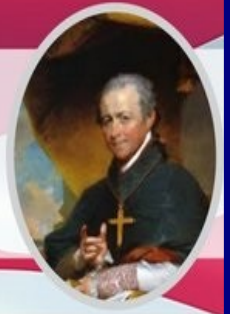


Pray for Vocations



PRAYER FOR THE

NOVEMBER ELECTIONS



based on the prayer offered on November 10, 1791, by John Carroll of Baltimore, first Catholic Bishop of the United States, and cousin of Charles Carroll, Catholic signer of the Declaration of Independence

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed your glory to all nations. God of power and might, wisdom and justice, through you authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment is decreed.

We pray that our November elections may result in a President who honors and obeys your divine law, who encourages respect for virtue and religion, who executes the laws with justice and mercy, and who seeks to restrain crime, vice and immorality.

We also pray that we may be blessed with elected officials in every branch of government who seek to preserve peace, who promote national happiness, continue to bring us the blessings of liberty and equality, and who guard our political welfare with honesty and ability.

We commend to your unbounded mercy all the citizens of the United States, that we may be blessed in the knowledge, and sanctified in the observance of your holy law. May we be preserved in union, and that peace which the world cannot give; And, after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal. We pray to you, who are Lord and God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mary, Patroness of the United States under the title of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us.

