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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ November 15, 2015

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass..... 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses..... 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

September—May..... 5:00 PM

Daily

Monday - Friday..... 7:30 AM

Saturdays & Legal Holidays..... 8:30 AM

Holy Day

Vigil Mass..... 5:00 PM

Holiday Masses..... 7:30 AM & 7:00 PM

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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 one of the parish priests 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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Please contact one of the parish priests or the Office of the Director of Vocations at 331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

The Mass of Anticipation for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00PM Anna Nardone—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00AM Deborah Anderson—1st Anniversary
 10:30AM Eleanor Gallogly—2nd Anniversary
 5:00PM Vincent Lanna—7th Anniversary

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Weekend/St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
 7:30 AM Lucille & Henry Maynard—Memorial

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Weekday/The Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
 7:30AM James Skeffington, Jr.—Memorial

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Weekday
 7:30AM Anne Sullivan—Memorial

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Weekday
 7:30AM Martha Cavanagh—Memorial

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

The Presentation of the BVM
 8:30AM Joyce Richard—Memorial

The Vigil Mass of Christ the King
 4:00PM John & Michael McNulty—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00 AM Joan Montaquila—15th Anniversary
 10:30AM Edward P. Magner—1st Anniversary
 5:00PM Antoinette Mulcahy—Memorial





Dear Parishioners:

Our Lady of Mercy was honored with a pastoral visit from Archbishop Diosdado Talamayan, Archbishop *Emeritus* of Tuguegarao in The Philippines. His Excellency was here to visit our Franciscan Apostolic Sisters whose congregation was founded in his Archdiocese.

The now retired Archbishop is spending some time visiting with family and friends in the United States. While at OLM he led spiritual conferences for the Sisters in their Chapel and celebrated Saturday 8:30am morning Mass. We thank him for his episcopal presence in our parish and his concern for Sister Emma and Sister Lourdes and their fellow Sisters at Scalabrini Villa.

Two windows in the Franciscan Sisters' Convent Chapel that rotted were recently fixed. The tree by the windows that caused the damage to the Convent Chapel was also cut down. I thank Paul Anderson for his hard work in attending to this project for our Sisters. The good Sisters are now able to pray before the Blessed Sacrament in their Convent Chapel without worry. We thank them for their continued prayers for our parish community.

This week Fr. Connors and Fr. Chris Murphy, the Chaplain at Bishop Hendricken High School, are taking a group of young men to St. John's Seminary in Boston.

The group gets to tour the seminary, attends evening prayer and dinner with the seminary community, and meets with the seminarians from the Diocese of Providence.

Our own Seminarian Brian Morris and our Summer Seminarian, Eric Silva, will help with this visit and answer questions about seminary life and the process of discerning a vocation to the priesthood. I am grateful for their participation in this Vocation Awareness Trip and also Fr. Connors and Fr. Murphy for organizing this opportunity.

Fr. Connors has also organized another great event this coming Thursday at OLM School. It's called "Grill the Priests" and it is an opportunity for people to ask a panel of priests questions about the Catholic Faith. They can inquire about anything they find curious about the Church or the life of priests.

The panel consists of Fr. Connors, Fr. Murphy, Senior Priest Fr. John Kiley (Pastor *Emeritus* of St. Francis Church in Warwick), Dominican Friar Fr. Philip Neri Reese of Providence College, and myself. Monsignor Albert Kenny, the Vicar General of the Diocese of Providence, serves as the moderator of the lively conversation.

Last year this event was very fun and informative with lots of great questions for the panel. The event is Thursday at 7:00pm

and open to the entire OLM Community. Wine, beer and light refreshments are to be served, so it is an adults only night. Some great door prizes are to be raffled off as well. Seating is limited, and reservations are needed, so please contact the Parish Office soon to reserve your spot.

In the name of the entire Parish I offer congratulations to OLM Parishioner Kevin McDevitt who is receiving the 2015 *Proudly Pro-Life* Award from the RI Right to Life Committee at their Annual Banquet this week. Kevin is to be honored for his unwavering pro-life commitment and conviction in defending all human life especially the life of the unborn. We thank him for being a truly outstanding example of what it means to be *Proudly Pro-Life!*

This weekend I am away attending the Winter Meeting of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops in Baltimore where I serve as a consultant to the Sub-Committee on the Defense and Promotion of Marriage.

I thank our Vocation Director Fr. Carl Fissette for filling in at Masses in my absence. We also warmly welcome our OLM native son, Dominican Fr. Francis Belanger, OP who is the Novice Master of the Dominicans. He is at OLM visiting his family this weekend. Be well. Do good. God Bless. Go Pats!!!

Father Healey



Dear Fr. Connors: Do you think modern weapons make the possibility of a just war impossible?

Sound moral teaching forbids the direct and intentional taking of innocent human life.

Such an act is murder and can never be justified. The Church has traditionally identified three areas—self-defense, just war, and the death penalty—as situations in which the taking of human life may be justified.

“The strict conditions for *legitimate defense by military force* require rigorous consideration. The gravity of such a decision makes it subject to rigorous conditions of moral legitimacy” (CCC 2309). These conditions include: (1) the action represents a last resort, (2) there exist a reasonable chance of success, (3) the action be declared by a legitimate authority, (4) and that the damage inflicted be lasting, grave and certain.

The decision for whether a particular military conflict meets the criteria for a just war falls to those responsible for the common good, namely, the political leaders who have the information and the responsibility to make such a determination.

Because modern weaponry can be so destructive of many human lives—including those of non-combatants—some argue that a just war is now impossible. While I agree that the loss of life of many non-combatants makes the conditions for a just war more difficult, the basic understanding of the just war doctrine remains unchanged. Namely, these are the strict conditions for a just war. Political figures have the responsibility to determine if the conditions exist.

Christians should pray for and work for peace. As Pope St. John Paul II explained, “War is always a failure for humanity.” There should be a hesitancy to use military force. However, when necessary to protect the common good—in conformity with the strict conditions of just war doctrine—the possible use of military force cannot be excluded.

If you have a question about the Catholic Church or Catholic Teaching, please email questions to associatepastor@olmparish.org



Weekly Collection

November 8, 2015

Weekly.....	\$14,735.85
EFT.....	\$1,793.50
Total=\$16,529.35	
Annual (to date).....	\$81,335.00
Outreach.....	\$697.50

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 generosity!

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



SECOND COLLECTIONS
Next Week: The Catholic Campaign for Human Development



CHANGE OF SATURDAY MASS TIME !

The Saturday, 5:00PM Mass has moved back to Saturdays at **4:00PM** and Saturday Confessions to 3:00PM. Please plan accordingly.



KEEP CALM AND GO TO CONFESSION

Confession Times at Our Lady of Mercy

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



● **ALL RE Classes meet this weekend**
RE Class Schedule:

RE Grades 1—5: Sundays 10:00-11:00am

RE Grades 6—8: Sundays 5:45-6:45pm

The Religious Education calendar can be found on the Parish website: www.olmparish.org. Go to Faith Formation and then Religious Education for Children.

● Any child who would like to serve as a Pilgrim or Indian for the Thanksgiving Procession at Thanksgiving Day Mass, please contact Mickey St. Jean at the RE Office 401-884-1061 or via email at reled@olmparish.org

● There will be no RE Classes the weekend of November 28/29 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

● **Mandatory RE Class for all 8th Grade Confirmation Students (Public, Private, Parochial), this Sunday, November 15th.**



● **The OLM Food Pantry** is in need of **Holiday food items**: stuffing, cranberry, canned vegetables, instant potatoes etc. Please place all non-perishable food in the Food Box located in the vestibule of the Church. **Thanks for your support!**

● **The OLM Bereavement Group** is meeting on Thursday, November 19th at 4:00pm at Mercy House. All those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, feeling isolated or lonely are encouraged to attend.

● **For more information** please contact Doug Green at 884-4410 or via an email at outreach@olmparish.org



● School Mass, Tuesday, November 17 at 8:15am

● **"Grill the Priests"**, Thursday, November 19th at 7:00PM. Join Fr. Healey, Fr. Connors, Bishop Hendricken Chaplain Fr. Chris Murphy, Senior Priest Fr. John Kiley, PC Professor & Dominican Friar Fr. Philip Neri Reese, O.P. and Vicar General Msgr. Albert Kenney for a fun filled, informative and lively night.

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Volunteers Needed! Sign-up today!!!!

OLM School Science Teacher Mrs. Lewandowski is looking for coaches for the 2016 Science Olympiad competition on April 9, 2016 at Rhode Island College.

Engineers, chemists and biologists are needed!! No science background? That's OK; you can still help!

There are plenty of events that simply require guiding the team members to make sure that they collect and organize the required material for their event. Meetings are generally Monday's from 2:30-4pm and some Saturday mornings from 9-11am. However, many coaches schedule their own meetings with their team members to fit their schedule. If you would like to coach or need more information, contact Mrs. Michelle Lewandowski at 884-1618 or email her directly at mlewandowski@olmschool.org

Congratulations to our newly baptized :



Maxwell Joseph Brady,
and his parents, John & Kelly.

Eloise Catherine Costa,
and her parents, Cyril & Caitlin.

Colby Russell Ford,
and his parents, Michael & Cassandra.

Anthony Thomas Lombardi,
and his parents, Anthony & Tina.

Lucas Paul O'Neil,
and his parents, Stephen & Lindsey.

"Dearly beloved, these children have been reborn in baptism. They are now called children of God, for so indeed they are."—The Rite of Baptism

Grill the Priest
One Night! Five Priests! Any question!

Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 7:00PM
OLM School Cafeteria

Beer, Wine & Refreshments! Raffles & Door Prizes!
Adults only please. Reserve your seat now by
calling the Parish Office at 884-4968.

Ask our panel of priests anything!

Panel: Fr. Healey, Fr. Connors, Hendricken Chaplain
Fr. Chris Murphy, Senior Priest Fr. John Kiley, & PC
Dominican Friar Fr. Philip Neri Reese. Moderated by
Vicar General Msgr. Albert Kenney.

A fun filled, informative and lively night.



When a loved dies, you can keep their memory alive.

Make arrangements now to direct future memorial gifts to Our Lady of Mercy Church and School. Return your blessings by including your parish in your funeral planning. For more information contact Andrea Krupp, Director of the Catholic Foundation of RI, 401-277-2121 or call the Parish Office for more information.



Catholic Christmas Cards On Sale at OLM



Beginning next weekend November 21 and 22, the Knights of Columbus are selling Christmas cards after all Weekend Masses. All proceeds support the good works of the OLM Outreach program.



The Knights of Columbus, Council 58, is a fraternal order of men, who perform charitable missionary work in support of Our Lady of Mercy church. If you are interested in the Knights of Columbus, please contact Tom

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