

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30, 2012

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday—October 1

St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

7:30AM—Deborah & Edward Sullivan—Memorial

Tuesday—October 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

7:30AM—Thomas Brescia—Memorial

Wednesday—October 3

Weekday

7:30AM—*Pro Populo*

Thursday—October 4

St. Francis of Assisi

7:30AM—Theresa M. Lolio—Birthday Remembrance

Friday—October 5

Weekday

7:30AM—Theresa Fitzpatrick—Memorial

9:00AM—Special Intention

Saturday—October 6

Weekday/St. Bruno, Priest/Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin/BVM

8:30AM—For Past & Present Members of the Rosary Makers

Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM—Janice & Alexander Lisy—8th Anniv. & 13th Anniv.

Sunday—October 7

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7:30AM—Erminio Moscardi—Memorial

9:00AM—Msgr. John W. Lolio—Memorial

10:30AM—Ruth & Donald Guilfoyle—Memorial

Mass intentions are published so the entire parish family can pray the Mass intention of the Priest, for the living or the dead. Even if you cannot attend the Mass this day, please join in our parish intention during your own personal prayer time. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to schedule an announced intention at Mass as listed here. At every Mass, we should bring at least one personal intention to offer in prayer.



Mercy Musings

Dear Parishioners:

What a day last Sunday! Your prayers for good weather worked as our First Annual Parish

Family Picnic saw spectacular weather. We also saw well over 600 people come together to celebrate as a parish family. Father Shemek reports that his 50 pounds of cabbage and kielbasa went very quickly along with his hundreds of Polish Potato Pancakes. We served nearly 900 cups of ice cream too! It truly was a great afternoon of good times, good food and good fun.

Fr. Shemek and his hard working Picnic Committee did a great job getting it all organized and provided us with a wonderful parish event. In your name, I offer thanks and gratitude for their tremendous job of organizing this great day in less than a month. Many parishioners asked if we would be doing this again. Yes, it will be an annual event to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy for our entire parish. The OLM Picnic Committee is meeting soon to review this year's picnic and plan for next years. If you would like to help or take part in the planning of next year's picnic, please let Father Shemek know.

I invite all our Catholic lawyers in the parish and all those who work in the legal community to come to the Annual Red Mass at the Cathedral on Wednesday night at 5:30pm. Many lawyers and judges will gather to invoke the blessings of the Holy Spirit for the judicial year. This year's homilist is my good friend from Brooklyn, New York, Monsignor Kieran Harrington. It is a great event and I encourage you to attend especially if you are a lawyer. Also for those parishioners who are physicans and work in the health care field the Annual White Mass is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10th at 7:00PM. I encourage our many OLM doctors and nurses to go to this special event for Catholics who work in the medical world.

It's hard to believe that October is upon us already and that autumn is here too! It is a month dedicated to devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary and so we will continue the tradition of October Devotions on Monday nights at 7:00PM. Why not skip Wheel of Fortune and join us in praying the Rosary and adoring the Eucharistic Lord? Devotions are a important part of our Catholic tradition and I encourage you to come on Mondays this month. If you wouldn't do it for the Mother of God, then who would you do it for?

October is also Respect Life Month and so I ask you to pray for an increase of respect for the sanctity of human life and human dignity. There is great need of this in our world where there is too much disrespect for human life and too much violence. Pray for life! I will be away next weekend to perform a wedding in Scranton, Pennsylvania. God Bless. Go Pats!

Father Healey



Weekly Collection

Week of September 23, 2012

Weekly.....\$12,406.08

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!

Second Collections

This Week: Building & Grounds Collection

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



St. Thomas More Society of RI

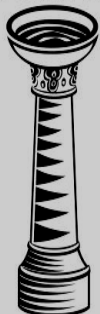
RED MASS

**Wednesday, October 3
at 5:30pm**

Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul

The celebration of the Annual Red Mass in the Catholic Church is to ask for God's blessings on members of the legal community for their good and important work. Bishop Tobin will preside at the Diocese of Providence's Red Mass on October 3, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul. Msgr. Kieran A. Harrington, Vicar for Communications, Diocese of Brooklyn, New York will serve as the homilist. The Mass is sponsored by the St. Thomas More Society of Rhode Island. All lawyers and their families are invited to attend.

BAPTISM CLASS



All families scheduled for the Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, October 14th **must attend** Preparation Class on Tuesday, October 9th at 7:00PM in Church. Please contact Fr. Shemek at the Parish Office (884-4968) if you cannot attend.



A Loss in Our Church Family

We offer our prayerful condolences to the family of Our Lady of Mercy Parishioners, **Stanley Para, Marie Iannolli, and Jane Daly** whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated here last week.

May they rest in eternal peace.



Marian Devotions

Mondays at 7:00PM

during the entire

Month of October

Join us in praying the Rosary with the Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. October is Respect Life Month, please join us in asking Our Lady's intercession for an increase of respect for human life and human dignity in our world.

Religious Education **NEWS**

All Students in Grades 1-9 **MUST** be registered for classes including all Grade 9 students (public, parochial, & private). **Registration for this year will be closed as of Saturday, October 6th.** Please contact Mrs. St. Jean at 884-1061 or Sister Rose at 884-2578 ASAP if not registered. Thanks.

Grade 9

Mondays at 7:00pm

Grades 7 & 8

Tuesdays at 7:00pm

Grades 1-6

Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 4:00pm

Grade 9 students will attend October Devotions at 7:00PM. Please be on time and sit with your class.



Join with
**The Knights of Columbus on
 Columbus Day Weekend
 Sunday, October 7, 2012**

Join us for coffee and donuts on Sunday, October 7th in the OLM School Cafeteria after the 9:00AM and 10:30AM Masses. This time to get together with fellow parishioners is sponsored by the OLM Council of the Knights of Columbus. Fr. Shemek will join us for a brief talk on "Respect Life Month" which is celebrated during October. Take time on Sunday, October 7th to join us!



OLM Mothers' Group

Mothers of young children are invited to join us on Wednesday, October 3rd at 9:00am in the Church Cry Room to learn about the formation of an OLM Mothers Group. Our purpose is to support and encourage each other in our roles as mothers of young children through fellowship and faith formation using the Together Program. For more information, please call Mary at 835-3418



Banns of Marriage

III-Colin McCabe & Eileen Flanagan



We invite any student grade 9-12 who is interested to join us for our next gathering on Monday, October 1st at 7pm in Church for October Devotions followed by an ice cream social in the OLM School Cafeteria. Our trip to the Haunted Labyrinth in Cranston is scheduled for Sunday, October 28th. Save the date! For more information, check out our Facebook page at OLM Youth Ministry!



**BLESSING
 —OF—
 PETS**

**Bring Your Pets
 to be Blessed on
 Saturday, October 6th
 at 9:00AM**

Join us as we bless animals in honor of St Francis of Assisi. Bring your cats, birds, dogs, reptiles, horses, pigs and any other animal. (*Please ensure animals are leashed.*) Blessing will take place in parking lot behind OLM School. Coffee and snacks will be served.



**White
 Mass**

**RI Catholic
 Medical Society
 Annual
 White Mass
 Wednesday
 October 10th at
 7:00pm**

**Bishop Thomas J. Tobin
 Celebrant**

**Father Timothy D. Reilly
 Homilist**

**Chapel of Our Lady of Fatima Hospital
 200 High Service Avenue
 North Providence, RI**

The RI Catholic Medical Society invites all physicians, nurses, healthcare professionals and workers, their families and patients to the Annual White Mass asking the Lord's blessings upon those called to share His work of healing. Light reception to follow. To RSVP or more information, call 272-4838 or CathMedRI@yahoo.com

**Outreach
 Update**

The OLM Bereavement Group meets this Thursday, October 4:00pm at the White House. We invite all those suffering in grief or those who have recently lost a loved one to join us. Also please note that our Food Pantry is need of \$10 gift cards to Stop & Shop.

Thank You for Your Support.