

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7, 2012

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday—October 8—Columbus Day Holiday

Weekday

8:30AM—Robert Iannoli—Memorial

Tuesday—October 9

Weekday/*St. Denis, Bishop, & Companions, Martyrs/St. John Leonard, Priest*

7:30AM—Julia Reitling—Memorial

Wednesday—October 10

Weekday

7:30AM—Msgr. John W. Lolio—Memorial

Thursday—October 11

Weekday

7:30AM—*Pro Populo*

Friday—October 12

Weekday

7:30AM—Myra & Paul Kopf—Memorial

Saturday—October 13

Weekday/*BVM*

8:30AM—Thomas Delaney—Memorial

Vigil of the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM—Letto F. Vickery—Memorial

Sunday—October 14

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM—Mary Falchini—Memorial

9:00AM—Joseph DeLapp—1st Anniversary

10:30AM—Dorothy Donahue—Memorial

4:00PM—Confirmation Mass

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:

Father Shemek and I are beginning to move into our rooms this week! No doubt you've seen the

dumpster across the street from the Rectory that has been filled these last few weeks. I am happy to report that the living quarters on the second floor of the Rectory have been renovated and freshened up. We completely remodeled the bathrooms in our living quarters replacing the original circa 1965 bathrooms as well as updating the lighting, freshening up the paint, wallpaper and carpeting. Unpacking our boxes and settling in at OLM is about to begin!

The renovation continues with a similar freshening up of the priests' offices, the dining room and the main offices in the Rectory. I am confident that this work can be completed much quicker and with as little interruption to the good order of the parish offices as possible. Father Shemek has been a real trooper throughout the entire project as he has been living out of his suitcase since June in the guest rooms above the garage. I commend him for his patience and great attitude throughout it all. But it certainly is nice to get comfortably settled in our new home with our personal belonging out of boxes and placed around us.

On Thursday of this week, Pope Benedict will commence the Year of Faith for our Church. The Year of Faith is a "summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the One Savior of the world" (*Porta Fidei* 6). In other words, the Year of Faith is an opportunity for Catholics to experience a conversion – to turn back to Jesus and enter into a deeper relationship with Him. The "door of faith" is opened at one's baptism, but during this year Catholics are called to open it again, walk through it and rediscover and renew their relationship with Christ and his Church. I ask you to please pray for a successful Year of Faith, that many of our brother and sisters might return to Christ, come back to His Church and deepen their commitment to their Catholic Faith.

I hope to schedule some events for the Year of Faith in the coming months that might help us experience an authentic renewal during this time. Keep an eye on the bulletin for announcements and use this Year of Faith for your own time of renewal and conversion. Our faith is in constant need of renewal and we must continually turn our focus upon Christ in order to keep the faith alive and authentic.

I return from the wedding in Scranton sometime on Monday night so let me wish you a Happy Columbus Day now! God Bless. God Bless America! Go Pats.

Father Healey



Weekly Collection

Week of September 30, 2012

Weekly.....\$13,598.64

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

Next Week: Seminarian Education Fund

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



Columbus Day

**Columbus Day
Holiday
Monday, October 8th**

Mass at 8:30AM

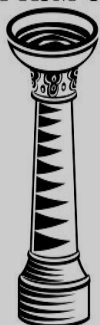
*The Parish Office
is closed for the holiday.*



Banns of Marriage

—Michael Mayer & Amy Gottfried

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.



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.

YOUTH GROUP

SCHEDULE

**Youth Group Outing to the Haunted Labyrinth
Sunday, October 28th, 7-9pm**

Join us for our trip to the Haunted Labyrinth (Dyer Ave, Cranston) on Sunday, October 28th. Admission is only \$10. Bus will leave promptly from OLM at 7:00pm and return for 9:00pm. All high school age OLM parishioner are welcome to join our OLM Youth Group for this activity. Permission slips needed in advance. For more information contact Father Shemek at 884-4968.

Religious Education NEWS

- Bishop Evans will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation next Sunday, October 14th at 4:00PM. Please pray for our confirmation candidates.
- Grade 10 Confirmation Candidates are reminded of **MANDATORY** Rehearsal on Thursday, October 11 at 7pm. Candidates & sponsor must be present and on time.
- No Class Monday for Grade 9 due to holiday. Grades 7 & 8 will meet on Tuesday as usual.
- Jr. & Sr. High students who wish to use budget envelopes, they are available in the Parish Office for pick up.

Vocation Discernment Evening with Bishop Thomas J. Tobin

Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at 6:30PM

Seminary of Our Lady of Providence
485 Mt. Pleasant Ave, Providence, RI



All high school and college age men interested in learning more about the priesthood can join Bishop Tobin for prayer, discussion and pizza at OLP Seminary. For more information contact Fr. Carl Fisette at 331-1316 or via email

at cfisette@catholicpriest.com

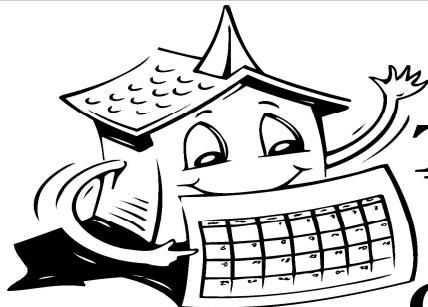
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"Jesus said to them, 'Come, and you will see.'"

Prayer Chain



Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our active Prayer Chain. The power of prayer 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. If you know of someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any other serious need, call us!



This Week at Our Church

Monday – 7:00PM – October Devotions
Tuesday – 9:30AM – Rosary Makers
Tuesday – 7:00PM – Legion of Mary
Tuesday – 7:00PM – Baptism Prep Class
Thursday – 7:00PM – Confirmation Rehearsal



Join with
The Knights
of Columbus on
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!

White
Mass



The 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

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