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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ October 20, 2013

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass..... 5:00 PM

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

September—June..... 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

Saturdays at 4:00 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

The Reverend Bernard A. Healey, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

Anticipated Mass for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00 PM Walter McKiernan & Walter McKiernan III-Mem.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM Mary Mulaney—24th Anniversary
 9:00 AM Our Lady of Mercy Parishioners
 10:30 AM Robert Dumouchel—Birthday Remembrance
 5:00PM Dennis Levesque—Memorial

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

Weekday
 7:30 AM Dorothy Donahue—5th Anniversary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Weekday/Blessed John Paul II, pope
 7:30 AM Antoinette Mulchay—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Weekday/St. John of Capistrano, Priest
 7:30AM The Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Weekday/St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
 7:30 AM R.G. Peter.—Memorial

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Weekday
 7:30AM Ada Pyun—Memorial

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

Weekday/BVM
 8:30 AM Louise Kiernan & Thomas Granahan—Memorial
Anticipated Mass for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00 PM Joanna Krzemien—Memorial

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM Joann Vito—Memorial
 9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
 10:30AM Hope Conway—4th Anniversary
 5:00PM Andrew DePietro—Memorial





Dear Parishioners:

In this week's bulletin you will find a copy of the Annual Parish Financial Report. This is an abbreviated version of the much longer report that has been sent to Bishop Tobin. The report was reviewed and approved by our Parish Trustees, Finance Council and Auditors.

The report indicates that our ordinary revenue has increased and our expenses flattened out a bit. The report is for the Fiscal Year ending on June 30, 2013. This year there was an extra weekend in the fiscal year which accounts for some of the increase in collection income. But the addition of the Annual Collection and the Outreach Collection have also helped to increase the ordinary income of the parish.

I hope you find the report helpful in reviewing the financial situation of our parish. Over all we are in good fiscal and financial shape and the trends all seem to be in the positive direction. We have overcome the deficits of the last few years and I hope that this continues in the years to come.

Of course, none of this is possible without your generous financial support of the parish by giving to the weekly collection, the Outreach, the Building and Grounds collections, and the Annual Collection. Thank you!

Most of this support comes from about 600 of the 2,200 registered families at OLM who regularly use their budget envelopes. And also it comes from the 70 or so families who

now take advantage of the Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) system. This is an online way of giving directly to the parish and can be accessed by a link located on the parish web page, www.olmparish.org. Check it out and sign up. Fr. Connors and I did and now our contributions to OLM are directly debited out of our own bank account to OLM. It's a safe and secure way of giving to the parish that I highly recommend.

The Annual Parish Report has been sent to Bishop Tobin for his review as required by Canon Law. We are also required to send to the Bishop the *Status Animarium*. This is a report that give the status of the "souls" of the parish and the sacramental statistics. This is done annually by every parish in the Diocese.

The OLM *Status Animarum* indicates that we have at total of 2,256 registered families with 7,478 individual parishioners. The report is for the year beginning September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013.

In that time period we baptized 40 infants into the Catholic Church, with 109 young children receiving First Holy Communion, and 196 young adults receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. The 196 is for two classes and two Confirmation celebrations.

Just twelve couples were married at Our Lady of Mercy which is consistent with the national trend of a steep decline in the number of young couples getting married in general and

even more drastic decline in couples getting married in Churches and Synagogues.

Sadly, we commended forty-nine souls to God at Masses of Christian Burials. We will remember all the OLM parishioners who died over the last year at a special All Souls Mass on Saturday, November 2nd at Noon. There is more information about that Mass in the bulletin.

Overall the statistical condition of OLM Parish is pretty good. Let's pray that we continue to attract more people to our parish and to receive the Sacraments of the Church. Our Lady of Mercy is a large, diverse and dynamic parish community and I hope and pray we continue the positive path set by all those who have gone before us.

There is good news about our parish Deacon, John Dowd. His double knee replacement surgery was a success and he has returned home. Keep him in your prayers as he continues to strengthen his ability to walk with two new knees! We hope to have him back in time for Christmas.

I am off to Rome this Sunday night for a meeting of the National Association of State Catholic Conference Directors. While there I will offer Mass for your intentions at the tomb of St. Peter this Tuesday and hope to see the Holy Father! See you in a week. God Bless! Go Pats! Go Sox!! I

Father Healey

The Catechism Corner

Often we you walk into a bookstore and look for the religion section, it might not be the easiest to find. Sometimes it might be easier just to look for the New Age or the Occult section first and then look to your left. Why is it that Catholicism and channeling and crystals all get stuck in the same section? Is it because they are start with the letter, "c"? Hardly, the bookstore just lumps them all together as "spiritual matters" but really they should NOT be confused in any way. These things are nothing alike! "All forms of *divination* are to be rejected...Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omen and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history, and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers." All of these practices harm us because they lead us away from the Lord and trust in His almighty Providence. Most people might think that they are entertaining and done "just for fun" but that is usually how all addictions start in the beginning. All of these practices "contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone." Before planning your next party game, first be sure to **check it out** in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #2116.



YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013



The Altar Flowers at the Marian Shrine are donated this week in memory of Nancy Raimondo..



Weekly Collection

October 13, 2013

Weekly.....	\$9,103.50
Weekly EFT.....	\$2,298.00
Building & Grounds.....	\$3,056.00
Annual (To date).....	\$51,8887.50
Outreach.....	\$267.00

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 generosity!

Second Collections

This Week: : World Missions

Thanks for your support!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday—Legion of Mary at 7:00PM

Thursday—OLM Book Club at 7PM in School Library

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



Congratulations to our newly baptized:

Vivienne Arianna Calenda,
and her parents, Alexander and Valerie.

Declan Paul Lynch,
and his parents, David and Trisha.

Giuliana Hope Ciotti,
and her parents, Giuseppe and Jennifer.

Mary Rose Weekers,
and her parents, Wim and Patricia.

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



You can find a complete RE Schedule and Registration Forms online at under Faith Formation tab at www.olmparish.org

OLM Religious Education Schedule 2013-14

RE Grades 1—5

Sundays 10:00AM—11:00AM

All Classes meet this week.

RE Grades 6—8

Sundays 6:00PM—7:00PM

All classes resume this weekend.

- **Upcoming Mandatory Meetings:**

Confirmation Class Parents: All parents of current 8th Grade Confirmation Students (Public, Private & Parochial) must attend a Meeting on Monday, November 4th at 7:00PM in the OLM Cafeteria.

First Communion Class Parents: All parents of current 2nd Grade First Communion Students (Public & OLM School) must attend a meeting on Tuesday, November 5 at 7:00PM in Church.

The Sacrament of Confession

Saturdays at 4:00PM & Mondays at 6:00PM



"In the life of the body a man is sometimes sick, and unless he takes medicine, he will die. Even so in the spiritual life a man is sick on account of sin. For that reason he needs medicine so that he may be restored to health; and this grace is bestowed in the Sacrament of Penance."—St. Thomas Aquinas



The OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food. Please leave your food donations in the box in the vestibule of Church.

Thank you for your generosity.

October Devotions

Mondays at 7:00PM

Join us for Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Recitation of the Rosary and a Spiritual Talk.



Monday, October 21st

Why the Immaculate Conception Matters—

**Fr. Joseph Upton,
Chaplain, The Prout School, &
Assistant Pastor of St Francis, Wakefield**

Monday, October 28th

Devotion to Mary and the Assumption—

**Fr Michael O'Connor, OP
Adjunct Professor at Providence College**



OUR LADY OF MERCY SCHOOL
East Greenwich, Rhode Island

OLM School News

- **We are in need of Lunch Monitors for OLM School.** If you are available at lunch time during the week and willing to volunteer to help contact the school at 884-1618. *A great opportunity for retirees or grandparents!!*
- **Holiday Shopping Night, Thursday December 5th:** We are excited to announce Our Lady of Mercy School's 1st annual **Holiday Shopping Night!** Please join us for a fun and festive evening filled with beautiful handmade items and artwork from local crafters and artisans, as well as several independent consultants like Pampered Chef and SwissJust! Get your holiday shopping done early and celebrate the season in style! More details to follow... stayed tuned! **If you or someone you know may be interested in having a display at this event, please contact Kathy Royce at royceri@verizon.net for more information**
- **Halloween Costume Drive for McAuley House:** As Halloween approaches, please consider donating your children's old and gently used Halloween Costume. Our Lady Of Mercy School is holding a Halloween Costume Drive to benefit the Children at McAuley House. You may drop off Costumes in the back of the Church in the Boxes Marked or at the School Office. Thank you for your generous support.

All Souls Day Celebrations

Saturday, November 2nd

Mass at 8:30AM

Mass at Noon

*Offered for OLM Parishioners
who have died this past year.*

Bishop Robert Evans
Celebrant

Followed by procession and prayer service
at St. Patrick's Cemetery.



"And because he considered that they who had fallen asleep with godliness, had great grace laid up for them. It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins.—2 Maccabees



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

Next Meeting: Sunday, October 27th at 7:00PM in Church Cry Room. New Members are welcome to attend.



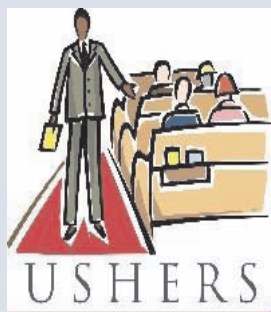
Our Lady of Mercy is proud to introduce
"Enhanced Stewardship through
Electronic Funds Transfer"
What is EFT?

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.

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Your Parish needs your help.



We are in need of adult men and women willing to serve as ushers on a regular basis at the Sunday 5:00PM Mass. If you are willing to help, can smile and welcome people to Mass, then you qualify. For more information contact Fr. Healey at parish@olmparish.org or by calling the Parish Office at 401-884-4968. Thanks for your interest and assistance.

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