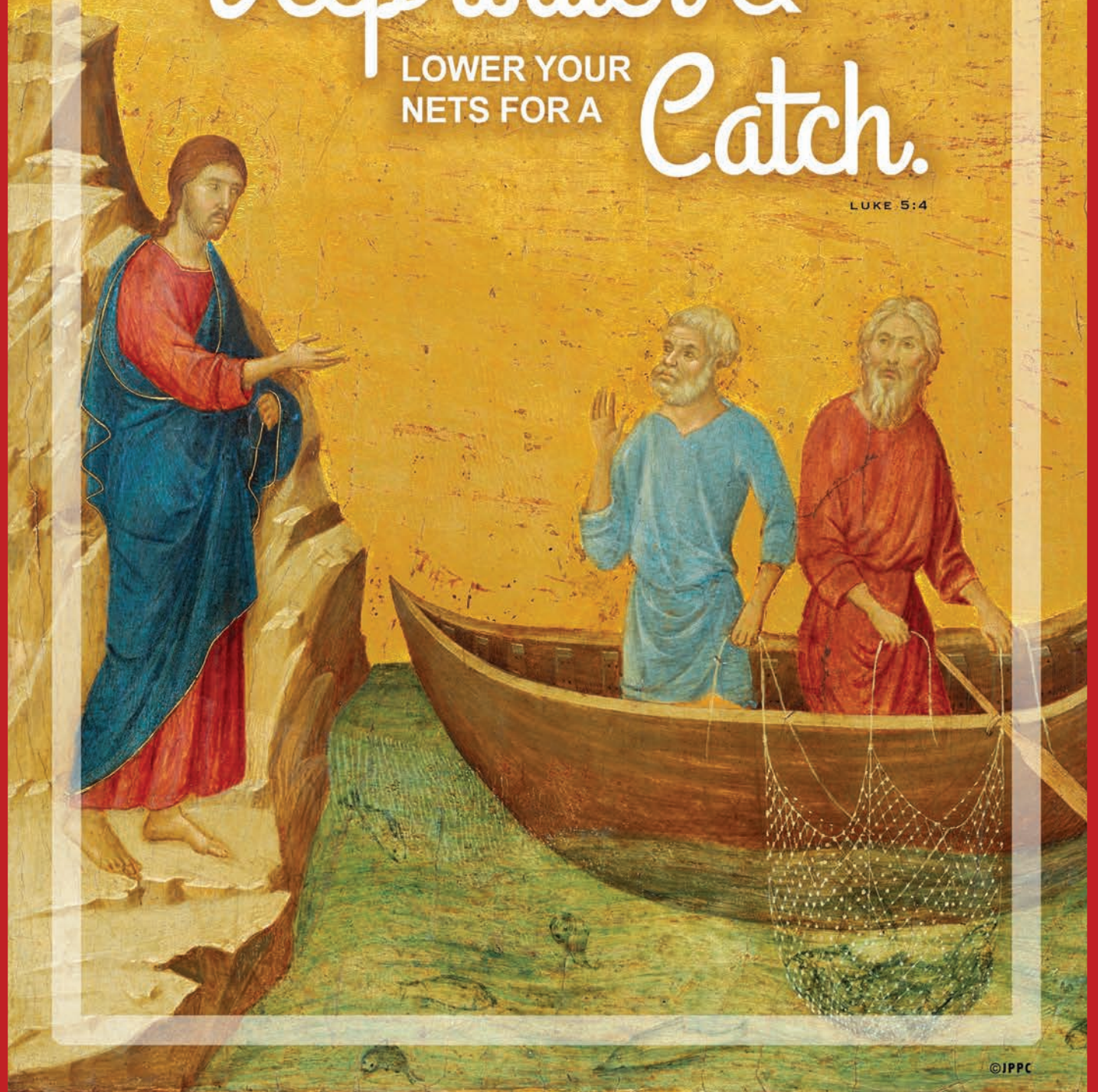


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**THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
 FEBRUARY 6, 2022**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

*The Mass of Anticipation of the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 4:00PM Emilio & Mary Moretti—Memorial

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

*The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 AM Fortuna Palermo—Memorial  
 9:00AM Vincent Bruzzese—3rd Anniversary  
 10:30AM Bruce Hart—8th Anniversary  
 5:00PM Phyllis A. Nazareth—Month's Mind

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

*Weekday*  
 7:30AM Edna Hart—24th Anniversary

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

*Weekday; St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin*  
 7:30AM Deborah A. Sullivan—Memorial

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

*Weekday*  
 7:30AM Thomas A. Brescia—Birthday Remembrance

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

*St. Scholastica, Virgin*  
 7:30AM Rosalie Ferruccio—Memorial

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11—WORLD DAY OF THE SICK**

*Weekday: Our Lady of Lourdes*  
 7:30AM Barbara A. Sedlock—15th Anniversary

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

*Weekday; BVM*  
 8:30AM D'cd Members of Lee & Pyun Families—Mem.  
*The Mass of Anticipation for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 4:00PM The Souls in Purgatory

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

*The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 AM Evelyn & Michael Simon—Memorial  
 9:00AM Cheryl Zola—4th Anniversary  
 10:30AM Thomas B. Murphy—Memorial  
 5:00PM Olivia Rose Passaretti—Memorial





Dear Parishioners:

Kenan, the Blizzard of 2022, has come and gone! What a snowstorm! Last Saturday, it shut down the state with its high winds, never-ending snow, and cold temperatures! In light of the severe winter weather, Bishop Tobin granted a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for the Diocese.

However, Mass at OLM went on as scheduled! After all, Fr. Mahoney and I only have to walk down the hall to get to Mass!! In fact, besides Father Mahony, myself, and our good Franciscan Sisters, three brave souls trudged through the wicked weather to be at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday.

It was certainly nice to have a Lector, an Altar Server and one lone parishioner in the pews at Mass! Kudos to them for braving the Blizzard to worship God and attend Mass!

Sunday Masses saw few parishioners in attendance as many were snowed in from the storm. Sunday evening, the 5:00pm Mass attendance was also very light. Either people were snowed in or perhaps at home watching NFL Football in the warmth of their homes!

In any case, please know that Masses at OLM are never canceled, and we offer Masses during blizzards, hurricanes, and beautiful weather! In addition, our Sunday Masses are typically intentioned for deceased loved ones of parishioners, so we ensure that those souls are prayed for during Holy Mass. After all, as Padre Pio said: *"It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do without Holy Mass!"*

I want to commend our

excellent OLM Maintenance Staff for the great work during the Blizzard of '22! They plowed, shoveled and sanded for almost thirty hours! They worked all night and day with occasional breaks for naps and nourishment.

The storm was never-ending as the wind caused snow drifts. They kept covering over what had been already shoveled and plowed. So if you see them around OLM, please be sure to say thank you.

The walkways and parking lots were clear for Sunday Masses, and the School was ready for Monday classes! But, of course, the maintenance problems only seem to increase with such a large amount of snow and frigid temperatures. The School had some leaks due to snow build-up, and the flat roof above the Church Boiler Room had to be shoveled too!

Maintenance is a daily endeavor at OLM, whether it's shoveling snow, fixing leaks, or keeping the buildings and property neat and clean. We are lucky to have such a talented and hard-working staff who take great pride in their work.

Of course, such maintenance is also a costly endeavor, and we are grateful for your generous support of the Monthly Building and Grounds Collection that helps defray maintenance costs. This vital second collection is taken up on the first weekend of every month, and I thank you for your support.

We postponed our Catholic Schools Week Open House at OLM School last week with the bad weather. It takes place this Sunday from 10:00 am

until Noon. I encourage you to stop by for a visit and meet our budding saints and scholars.

Have you read the new monthly bulletin column by Fr. Mahoney? Each month, he profiles a Saint and offers a recipe to celebrate the Saint's feast day. As you may know, Fr. Mahoney was a Professional Chef for several years before entering the seminary to pursue his priestly vocation.

It is a very new experience in the OLM Rectory to have an Associate Pastor who can cook! While Fr. Connors and Fr. Barrow have many talents, cooking is certainly not one of them. And I confess I can barely boil an egg!

So during the Blizzard, it was especially nice to have Fr. Mahoney here! On the cold and snowy Saturday, he made a delicious pot of Chili complete with homemade cornbread. It was a great source of comfort during the cold and snowy weather! So be sure to read his column and follow his recipes. He knows what he's doing!

On Friday, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, the Church marks World Day of the Sick. In a special way we pray for all the sick especially the ill and infirm of our parish. We also pray for all healthcare workers and caretakers. We turn to Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Mercy, to intercede for them. May they experience the Lord's healing, consolation and compassion.

Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless.

*Father Healey*



## Bells



**B**ells have been used to summon the faithful to prayer since the early Middle Ages.

At first they were simple handheld bells. After a while, they became large and varied in tone by virtue of size and composition. Belfries and freestanding campaniles were built in which to house them.

Different types of ringing summoned to different types of prayer and worship, and this is still true. Anyone who pays attention to church bells can hear the difference between the bells that call to Mass, the slow toll of the funeral bell, and the ringing of the Angelus at noon.

During the thirteenth century, small bells began to be rung during Mass to alert the worshipers to the consecration. This practice is optional today as Mass in the vernacular presumes that people know what's happening.

Bells are not used at all from the Gloria at the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper to the Gloria at the Easter Vigil Mass.



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## Weekly Collection

### January 30 2022

Weekly.....	\$4,344.00
EFT.....	\$5,760.00
	<b>Total=\$10,104.00</b>
Outreach.....	\$1,200.00
Saints & Scholars.....	\$5,249.00

### January 31, 2021

Weekly.....	\$11,634.00
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**This Week:: Monthly Building & Grounds**

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## OLMPrayer Chain



**Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our active Prayer Chain.** The power of pray 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 or email directly at 2hart@cox.net. **If you know someone in need of prayers due to illness, infirmity, surgery, hospitalization or any serious reason please call us!**

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**RE Calendar of Events**

**Sunday, February 6:**

**5:00PM Mass and Class: Confirmation 2022**

**Sunday, February 13:**

**5:00PM Mass and Class:**

**1st Communion and Grade 1**

**Sunday, February 20:**

**Mass 5:00pm and NO CLASS, School Vacation Week**

**Sunday, February 27:**

**5:00PM Mass and Class: Grades 3,4,5,6 and 7**

*Both Parents & Students must attend Mass & Class*



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**Schedule of Events**

• **Tuesday, February 8:** OLM School Weekly Mass at 8:15am; OLM PTG Meeting at 6:00pm

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• OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food items and paper goods for the members of our local community. **Please place all donated NON-EXPIRED AND non-perishable food items only and paper goods in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House.** Please do not leave medical supplies. Thank you for your support!

• **OLM Bereavement Group: Next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 4:00PM** in Mercy House. All those who are grieving are invited to join with us.

• For information, please contact the OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 401-884-4410 or email at outreach@olmparish.org



***"To the Height of Prayer"***

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Friday, February 18. 6:30pm-9:00pm

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# Our Lady of Lourdes

FEAST DAY—FEBRUARY 11

*In 1890, Pope Leo XIII allowed the local Diocese of Tarbes to celebrate this feast; Pope Pius X made it a universal feast in 1907. Lourdes is perhaps the most famous Marian shrine in Western Europe, where many go to invoke God's healing grace through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes.*

—CNS/USCCB

**O**n February 11, the Church celebrates the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. It was on this date in 1858 that an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to a peasant girl named Bernadette Soubirous. Over the next month and a half, Mary—appearing as the Immaculate Conception—would appear a total of 18 times. After the ninth appearance, on February 25, Bernadette discovered a spring in the grotto where Mary appeared. Many miraculous cures have been ascribed to the waters of the spring.

Later in her life, Bernadette became a Sister of Charity of Nevers and sought a life of silence and prayer. She died on April 16, 1879, at the age of 35. She was canonized—declared a saint—in 1933.

St. Bernadette's accounts of seeing a heavenly vision of



Candles burn in front of the statue of Mary at the grotto at the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in southwestern France. (CNS/Paul Haring)

the Blessed Virgin Mary were initially met with skepticism. After a careful investigation by a commission established by the local bishop, the Church declared that her visions were genuine and contained nothing contrary to the Catholic faith. Given the

powerful impact that such apparitions can have on individuals and the whole faith community, the Church always approaches such claims with great care and formally evaluates them before either accepting or rejecting a visionary's claims. Many times, the claims can't be substantiated, or are contrary to the Church's faith.

But Bernadette's visions were quickly recognized as genuine. They encouraged a deeper life of prayer, especially praying the Rosary, and encouraged a fervent trust in God's salvific power.



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