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† MASS SCHEDULE †

Weekend

Saturday Mass of Anticipation.....5:00 PM

Sunday Mass.....7:30, 10:30 AM
5:00 PM (Sept—May)

Daily

Monday - Friday.....7:30 AM
& during Lent at 12:05PM

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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The Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time ✕ June 28, 2020

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Mondays at 6:00 PM or by appointment.

Monday thru Friday during Lent at 11:45AM.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second Sunday of the month. Preparation Class is required. Please contact the parish 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 and before surgery.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Please contact one of the parish priests or the Office of the Director of Vocations at 401-331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 JUNE 28, 2020**

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

Mass of Anticipation for the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM John Bucci—10th Anniversary

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM Laurea & Leo Hackett—Memorial
 10:30AM Jane Walsh—1st Anniversary

MONDAY, JUNE 29

Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles
 7:30AM John Gardner—Memorial

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

Weekday; First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
 7:30AM Kate Bedard—Birthday Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Weekday; St. Junipero Serra
 7:30AM Neal Armstrong—2nd Anniversary

THURSDAY, JULY 2

Weekday
 7:30AM David Gardner—Memorial

FRIDAY, JULY 3

St. Thomas, Apostle
 7:30AM Fr. Lucien Bernard Lamontagne—Memorial

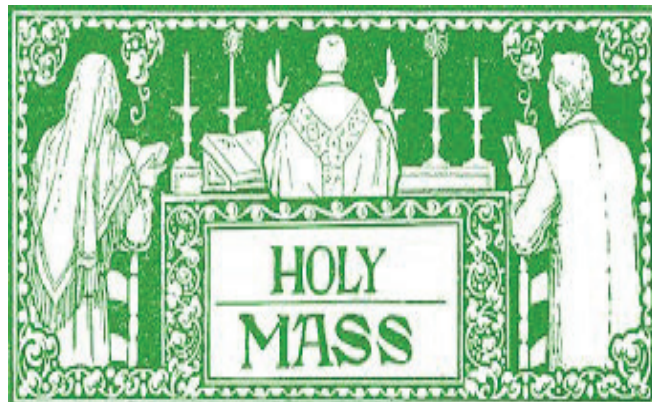
SATURDAY, JULY 4—INDEPENDENCE DAY

Weekday; BVM
 8:30AM Michael Devlin—82nd Anniversary

Mass of Anticipation for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00PM Mary & James Winsper—Memorial

SUNDAY, JULY 5

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 AM Thomas J. Brescia—8th Anniversary
 10:30AM Raoul Roberts—5th Anniversary





Dear Parishioners:

I wish to thank those who made the celebration of my 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination such a joyful and faith-filled occasion. I thank Bishop Evans, Bishop McManus of Worcester, and Bishop Spalding of Nashville for attending the Mass. I was honored by their presence at the Mass and grateful for their ministry, support, and friendship.

I am also so very thankful to my brother priests who concelebrated the Mass. Fr. Barrow served as the Master of Ceremonies, and I thank him for a great job as always! Fr. Connors offered such an outstanding sermon, and I am so very thankful for his powerful, humbling words. I thank all my brother priests for their continued friendship and priestly fraternity. They are a great gift in my life, and I am ever thankful for them.

A particular word of thanks for Henri St. Louis, our talented OLM organist, and to Deirdre Donovan, our former OLM soloist, for the gift of their music and talent. They provided such beauty and lifted our worship toward God. I'm grateful to the Lectors, who did an outstanding job. And I must thank our dedicated band of Altar Servers who do such a great job.

So many parishioners are so generous and kind in remembering my Silver Jubilee of Priesthood. I am grateful for the support, the gifts and prayers of so many people. Your kindness' and generosity are deeply appreciated.

God has given me a great gift in his priesthood. It is a

unique and profound grace that allows me to know, love, and serve Him and His people in the sacred ministry of Jesus Christ. For this extraordinary gift, I am ever grateful to God.

St. John Paul the Great once said: *"Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence."*

As I look back on twenty-five years of priestly ministry, I am full of gratitude. As I continue to live my priestly vocation, even after twenty-five years, I am still full of enthusiasm to serve God and His people. And as I look forward to the years ahead, I am indeed full of confidence. God is so very good. How could we not be full of gratitude, enthusiasm, and confidence!?

This week we hope to see the new security system is nearing completion. It will help us monitor the Church and Rectory. Sadly Churches and Catholic institutions have been the target of vandalism and theft.

Just last week, the Friar's Cemetery at Providence College fell victim to vandals. Headstones and crosses desecrated with painted swastikas and anti-Catholic epithets. Flags honoring veterans burned. Thankfully the Providence Police apprehended the sick individual responsible for this hate crime.

While I hope nothing similar happens again, especially here at OLM, we must be cautious. Given the social unrest and the destructive behavior of many activists, precaution must be taken. This system costs about \$10,000. The Our Faith, Our Future Capital Campaign

finances this work. Thank you again for your donations and for continuing to make your pledges to the campaign.

Also, as a result of the campaign, we installed three new roofs that were much needed. We also have decided to replace all the gutters on OLM School as they are damaged and old. This work should be completed soon at the cost of \$10,000, and it, too, is funded by the capital campaign. We are reviewing the plans for the installation of new Church doors and hope to begin that project soon. Again I thank you for your generous support of OLM. It is an excellent sign of the support and vitality that is alive in this beautiful parish.

I hope to see even more folks coming back to Mass as we begin Phase III of the pandemic. As restrictions are lifted and some normality returns to life, let's hope Mass is part of it. We continue to offer Mass daily at 7:30am and on weekends at 5pm on Saturday, 7:30am and 10:30am on Sundays.

We're coming to the end of June, and next weekend we celebrate the Fourth of July. And while we still live in a pandemic with its many health precautions, I hope we can all stop into Church on Independence Day to give thanks to God for the many blessings of our nation, especially the blessings of freedom and liberty. Happy Independence Day! Stay safe. Be Well. Do Good! God Bless! *Our Lady of Mercy, pray for us!*

Father Healey

Ask Father

Can a civilly divorced person receive Communion?

There is confusion when it comes to the reception of Holy Communion and persons who have undergone a civil divorce. Between two baptized, marriage is for life; it is a bond instituted by God between two people, which mirrors Christ's love for his Church (there are more details in regard to mixed marriages, but for the sake of brevity those can be discussed later). Just as Christ never ceases to love His Church, so too, the bond between two people joined in marriage can never be broken. As we know an annulment is not a divorce, since an annulment declares that there was never a bond. Divorce claims to have the power to break the power of God. The Church does not recognize civil divorce granted by the state and so still considers the two people to be married. As a civil action divorce is concerned only with the legal effects of marriage (distribution of property, custody of children, etc.). So even if a person has received a divorce that person can still come to the sacraments and can still receive Holy Communion.

A divorce can be a terrible thing to endure. It introduces disorder into the family and into society. Just about everyone who authentically enters into marriage does not do it with the expectation that at one point they will divorce their spouse. To willfully breakup a marriage or abandon one's spouse is a serious issue, but it is not always the case that a person does so maliciously. As the Catechism states in number 2386: "It can happen that one of the spouses is the innocent victim of a divorce decreed by civil law; this spouse therefore has not contravened the moral law. There is a considerable difference between a spouse who has sincerely tried to be faithful to the sacrament of marriage and is unjustly abandoned, and one who through his own grave fault destroys a canonically valid marriage." Hence, the person responsible for the breakup of the marriage should confess their sin before receiving Communion.

As long as a person does not remarry, or is not living inappropriately with someone, then the person is free to receive the sacraments within the Church. If a person does remarry civilly or outside of the Church, then that person should not receive Holy Communion until the situation is regularized. I encourage anyone in such a situation to come meet either with Fr. Healey or me and we would be happy to try and regularize the situation.



Weekly Collection

June 21, 2020

Weekly.....	\$18,664.00
EFT.....	\$3,603.00
Total=	\$22,267.00
Outreach.....	\$689.00

June 22, 2019

Weekly.....	\$20,851.00
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Monday—Thursday
8:00am –4:00pm
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June, July & August

Due to Covid-19 safeguards,
public admittance to the OLM Parish Office is
limited. Please call ahead for Mass cards and
spiritual bouquets. Thank You.

Outreach Update

• OLM Food Pantry is in urgent need of food and paper goods for many members of our local community. Please place all donated non-perishable foods and paper goods in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House.

Thank you for your support!

• If you are in need of food or financial assistance please contact the OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 884-4410 (leave a message if not in) or via email at outreach@olmparish.org



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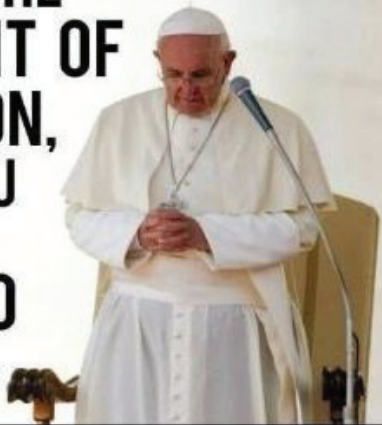
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Confessions at OLM

Mondays: 6:00PM—6:45PM

Confessions on Saturdays have been suspended until further notice to allow for Church cleaning and sanitizing.

For Confession by appointment please call the OLM Parish Office at 401-884-4968 to contact a priest to schedule an appointment.



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 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!

The power of prayer at work!

Apostles Peter and Paul

FIRST CENTURY

FEAST DAY: JUNE 29

These apostles share a feast as founders of the church in Rome. Peter, a Galilean fisherman chosen by Christ as one of the Twelve Apostles, became the undisputed leader of the fledgling church after Pentecost. Paul, a Pharisee and Roman citizen who had persecuted Christians, became after his dramatic conversion the church's greatest missionary, its "apostle of the gentiles." By tradition both were martyred in Rome. Their adventures are recounted in the Acts of the Apostles, and letters from them are included in the New Testament.



"Mind if I call ya back? I'm in the middle of a sermon."



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