



OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**VISION: TO OFFER EVERY PERSON A LIFE-CHANGING ENCOUNTER
WITH JESUS, GROW DISCIPLES, AND SEND THEM ON MISSION.**

PARISH PRIESTS

Fr. Don E. McLaughlin, Pastor
Fr. Mark J. Bernhard, Parochial Vicar

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Rev. Mr. Senovio Sarabia, Jr.

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Deacon Phil Rehmer
Deacon Art Tionson
Deacon Bob Vavra

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Monday-Thursday.....8:30am-4:30pm
Friday..... 8:30am-1:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm
Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am
10:45am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm
Monday-Friday8:00am
Rosary prayed after all daily Masses

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Schedule varies. Consult the Mass Schedule in
the bulletin or website.

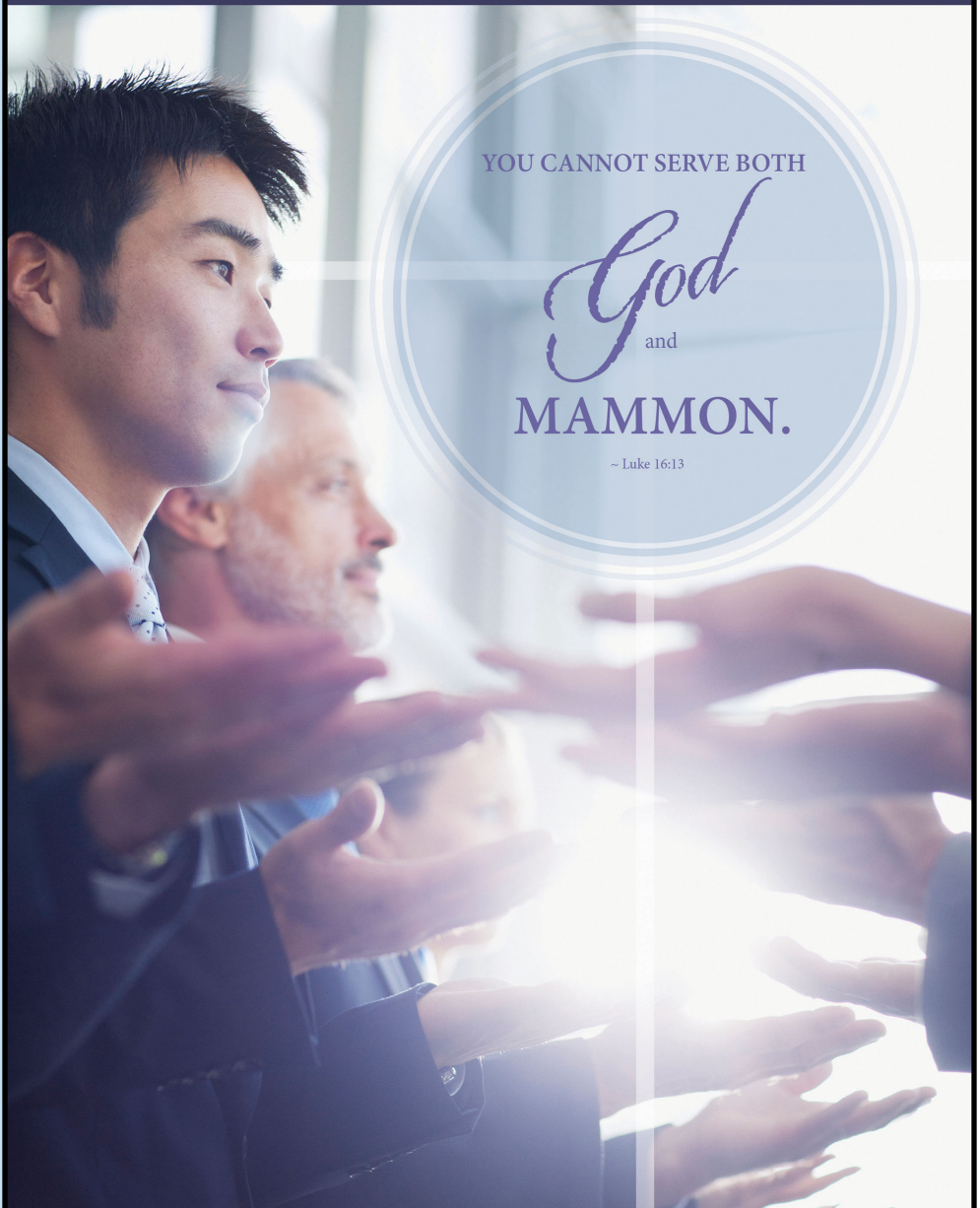
CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:00-3:45pm
1st Fridays of the Month....8:30-9:00am
Or by Appointment

PRAYER CHAPEL

Open Daily7:00am-8:00pm
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday
8:30am-6:00pm
Benediction.....Monday, 6:00pm

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.....
Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!

Last week during the homily, we presented to you our new ***Vision, Core Values, and Aspirational Values*** for Our Lady of Mercy Parish. To help us implement these, we need to add a few new members to our Parish Pastoral Council.

The role of the Pastoral Council is to help bring forth the vision of the parish. The focus of the Pastoral Council is to develop broad, visionary strategy for the whole parish over a longer-term period. The council prayerfully discerns how God is calling the parish to fulfill its vision and provides direction on how the parish can best achieve this in a continual process. The Pastoral Council meetings will be every two months for a strategic, workshop style session with the Parish Leadership Team. The Parish Leadership Team is Fr. Don, Fr. Mark, Phil Britton, Zara Tan, and Mary Jo Trapani. These meetings will be on a Saturday morning or afternoon, or Sunday afternoon.

We need people on the Pastoral Council who have the gifts, interest and availability to do big-picture parish strategy work. The ideal Pastoral Council member:

- Has a daily prayer life and is a participating member of Our Lady of Mercy, with an eagerness to carry out the parish vision, and is 16 years old or older.
- Is a passionate visionary thinker and planner.
- Has skills to address the driving question, "Where are we going and how will we get there?"
- Is committed to the importance of welcoming and inviting parishioners and people in our community to know Jesus, be formed in an ongoing way as a disciple, and sent out on His mission.
- Is excited about what the parish has been doing the past couple of years and the direction in which we are moving.
- Has an availability of time and energy and easily works with groups.

If you fit this description, please consider submitting your name and contact information to frdon@olmercy.com as a possible candidate for our Pastoral Council by October 25th. If you know someone else who fits this description, please encourage them to submit their name as well. A discernment meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12th at 7:00PM. Please prayerfully consider whether joining the Pastoral Council may be the way you are being called to help bring forth the vision of our parish!

Have a blessed week!

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, September 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina

8:00 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM
 6:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, September 24 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Catherine McCloskey, by Laurie Schwab

Wednesday, September 25 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Stanley & Sophie Kerkla, by Carolyn Kerkla

Thursday, September 26 - Ss. Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs

8:00 AM † Christine Holbrook
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM

Friday, September 27 - St. Vincent DePaul, Priest

8:00 AM † Bob Holzworth, by Sharon Fernandez & Family

Saturday, September 28 - St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz

12:00-1:00 PM Blessing of the Animals
 2:00-3:00 PM Wedding - Lorch/Sugas
 3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation
 4:00 PM **Vigil - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 Int. Shantie Depaz, by Agnes Schlobohm
 Int. Bistrain Family, by Rosario Zuniga

Sunday, September 29 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
 Michael the Archangel, by Agnes Schlobohm
 9:00 AM † Carol Kahlfeldt, by Michael & Family
 10:45 AM People of Our Lady of Mercy
 12:30 PM † Sabu Ignatius, by Family
 5:30 PM † Bob & Rose Mary Twohig, by Family

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL LAMPS

Votive lamps will burn this week before the Blessed Sacrament for the following intentions:

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| 1. Megan Gabaldon | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. The Sick | 10. Msgr. Tom Powers |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Mel Schmudde | 12. Louise Touvell |
| 5. Tristan Pazos | 13. Thomas Sterling |
| 6. Deacon Bob Vavra | 14. Good Health for Ricky |
| 7. Patricia K. | 15. The Pluskota Family |
| 8. Elizabeth Pattermann | 16. The Homeless |

If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

A Shout Out of Thanks To.....

The ladies from Hispanic Ministry who spent several hours on August 29th thoroughly cleaning the kitchen in the Parish Life Center.

Ben Coyle of our Boy Scout Troop 849 for gathering and leading members of his troop and adults to volunteer to spend several hours on August 31st to complete a stone walkway for our new outdoor Stations of the Cross.



James Maul from Boy Scout Troop 57 for gathering and leading members of his troop and adults to volunteer spending several hours on August 31st to build a fire pit in the parish back yard.

We pray for our sick, confined and their families

Please contact the Parish Office if you or your **immediate** family member wish to be added to the Sick List.

Mark Hoeksema
 Mel Schmudde
 Kathryn Martini
 Mary Moody
 Brady Pembroke
 Carole Brogan
 Wayne Draper
 Ailani Banulos

Julia Schremp
 Billy Walowski
 Kathy Walowski
 Flo Paprzycki
 Helga Manglinong
 Marilyn Reich
 Michael Dandan
 Charlene Oates
 Maria Luna

William Nimmow
 Jill Brisceno
 Lexi Brisceno
 Michael Butler
 George Scowins
 Mary Ellen Reiter
 Hailey Hartnett
 Thomas F. Sterling
 Henrietta Pineda

Please note: Due to the government legislation regarding patient privacy, names of people to be prayed for at Mass or in the Bulletin can be listed only if that person, or in the case of their incapacitation, the person delegated to their medical care, calls to give permission.



DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR.....
¡También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!

La semana pasada durante la homilía, les presentamos nuestra nueva *Visión, Valores Básicos y Valores que Aspiramos* para la Parroquia de Our Lady of Mercy. Para ayudarnos a implementar estos, necesitamos agregar algunos nuevos miembros a nuestro Consejo Pastoral Parroquial.

El papel del Consejo Pastoral es ayudar a hacer realidad la visión de la parroquia. El enfoque del Consejo Pastoral es desarrollar una estrategia amplia y visionaria para toda la parroquia por un período a largo plazo. El consejo discierne en oración cómo Dios está llamando a la parroquia a cumplir su visión y proporciona instrucciones sobre cómo la parroquia puede lograr esto mejor en un proceso continuo. Las reuniones del Consejo Pastoral serán cada dos meses para una sesión estratégica de estilo taller con el Equipo de Liderazgo Parroquial. El Equipo de Liderazgo de la Parroquia es el Padre Don, el Padre Mark, Phil Britton, Zara Tan y Mary Jo Trapani. Estas reuniones serán los sábados por la mañana o por la tarde, o los domingos por la tarde.

Necesitamos personas en el Consejo Pastoral que tengan los dones, el interés y la disponibilidad para hacer un trabajo de estrategia parroquial en general. El miembro ideal del Consejo Pastoral:

Tiene una vida de oración diaria y es miembro participante de Our Lady of Mercy, con un afán de llevar a cabo la visión de la parroquia, y tiene 16 años o más.

Es un pensador y planificador visionario apasionado.

Tiene habilidades para abordar la pregunta de conducción, "¿A dónde vamos y cómo llegaremos allí?"

Está comprometido con la importancia de dar la bienvenida e invitar a feligreses y personas de nuestra comunidad a conocer a Jesús, ser formado de manera continua como un discípulo y enviado en Su misión.

Está entusiasmado con lo que ha estado haciendo la parroquia en los últimos años y la dirección en la que nos estamos moviendo.

Tiene disponibilidad de tiempo y energía y trabaja fácilmente con grupos.

Si cumples con esta descripción, por favor considera enviar tu nombre e información de contacto a frdon@olmercy.com como posible candidato para nuestro Consejo Pastoral antes del 25 de octubre. Si conoces a alguien más que concuerde con esta descripción, anímalo a que también envíe su nombre. Una reunión de discernimiento se llevará a cabo el martes 12 de noviembre a las 7:00 PM. ¡Por favor, considera en oración si unirse al Consejo Pastoral puede ser la forma en que estás siendo llamado para ayudar a hacer realidad la visión de nuestra parroquia!

¡Que tengan una semana bendecida!

Padre Don

DIOS ESTÁ DEL LADO DE LOS POBRES

Dos de las lecturas de hoy ponen muy en claro que Dios está del lado de los pobres. Amós describe en detalle el abuso de los pobres y necesitados. El Salmo repite que Dios actúa en beneficio de los pobres y los humildes. Pero Lucas pone las cosas de cabeza, contando una historia de un mayordomo en conflicto, a punto de ser despedido, que demuestra astucia y es recompensado. Como la comunidad a la que Pablo escribe en Timoteo, estas lecturas son personales, dirigidas a los creyentes, miembros de las comunidades judías y cristianas que tienen dificultades con elecciones personales de cómo conducir sus vidas. Ofrecen un bosquejo de cómo Dios desea que vivamos en un mundo tan complicado y tan confundido como el nuestro.

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Esd 1:1-6; Sal 126 (125): 1b-6; Lc 8:16-18
 Martes: Esd 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Sal 122 (121):1-5; Lc 8:19-21
 Miércoles: Esd 9:5-9; Tob:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lc 9:1-6
 Jueves: Ag 1:1-8; Sal 149 (148): 1b-6a, 9b; Lc 9:7-9
 Viernes: Ag 2:1-9; Sal 43 (42):1-4; Lc 9:18-22
 Sábado: Zac 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lc 9:43b-45
 Domingo: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Sal 146 (145):7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lc 16:19-31

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).

Second Reading — God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).

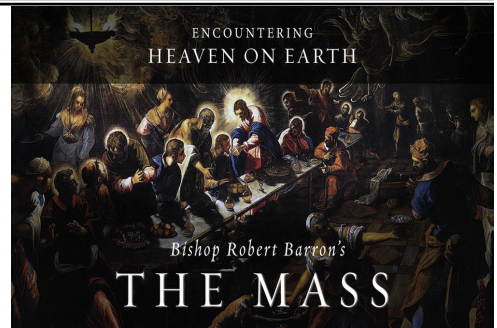
Gospel — The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
 Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
 Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
 Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



Parishioners Douglas McIlvane and Rodney Sindac were accepted as candidates for the Permanent Diaconate at a Mass celebrated with Bishop Conlon on September 6th at St. Ann Church in Channahon. They are pictured with their wives Amy and Happy and Fr. Don after the Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.



Bishop Barren's THE MASS

Parishioners, Virginia and Peter Trusiak, will be offering a daytime viewing of Bishop Barren's DVD on the Mass which will take place in their home in Carillion at Stonegate subdivision. This will include an informal discussion of this *Word on Fire* presentation, each Tuesday at 1:00 pm starting September 24th. For more information call (630)340-5446.



**Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?
Do you have a lot of questions?**

Are you a Catholic seeking to enrich your faith by completing the sacraments of initiation? Whether you are a baptized adult who is missing a sacrament or seeking to join the church for the first time, our Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)/Becoming Catholic classes are the place to begin.

Sessions starting now!

For more information please contact
Jean Rehmer at 331-707-5375
or jeanr@olmercy.com.



The Oberammergau Passion Play, Prague, Budapest, & Vienna June 15-26, 2020

Please join us for an information meeting on Friday, September 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM in Rm 124.

For additional information or a free Brochure contact:
Martin J. Kadziela, CTC ALLIED TRAVEL, Cruises & Tours
1.630.375.9130 or mjk73148@comcast.net



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (Grades K-5)

RE Classes begin this week!!!

If you haven't registered your children for Religious Education yet, now is the time!!

BE AN AMAZING CATECHIST

**Experience how to offer children incredible encounters of Jesus' presence
AND MAKE DISCIPLES
ONE CHILD AT A TIME!**

Contact Mary Jo Trapani today!
maryjot@olmercy.com 331-707-5378

EDGE (Grades 6-8)

EDGE Kick Off & Parent Meeting

EDGE begins on **Monday, Sept. 23rd** at **6:30 & ends at 8 PM**. John Lamperis will be our presenter for a fun filled night for our Jr. High teens. At **7 PM all EDGE parents** will be needed to gather in church for a parent meeting that will last until 8 PM when your teen finishes EDGE. Calendars as well as important information for the year will be handed out. You will also be given the opportunity to sign up for different events during the year to help support your Jr. High teen.

EDGE PLUS EVENT for the HOMELESS

On **Thursday, October 3rd** in the Youth Ministry, Rm. 211, we will be making full size fleece blankets that will be handed out to those that are homeless in Chicago, through the **WRAPPED IN LOVE BACKPACK MINISTRY**. This ministry is out on the streets of Chicago all year long trying to alleviate some of the conditions that the homeless face. Please join us in this wonderful ministry & help make the blankets that they need to hand out before it's too cold.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS (Grades 9-12)

Teen Alpha Begins this weekend! Sunday, September 22nd with a morning session 9:00-10:45 AM and evening session 6:30-8:15 PM. Online Sign-up is required. Information and sign-up can be found on the LIGHT webpage: <https://olmercy.com/formation/light/>

Chili Bowl Flag Football Tournament

Teens are invited to attend our flag football tournament on Sunday, October 6th from 1:30-4:30 PM behind the church. Get details and sign-up information online <https://olmercy.com/formation/light/>

NCYC for Teens: Sign-Up NOW!

High school teens are invited to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis on November 21-24. Join over 20,000 other Catholic teens for the nation's largest youth gathering! More details can be found in the lobby wall display or on the Light Youth Ministry webpage. The registration deadline is approaching so please sign up now!

Parents and Interested Adults in the parish community are invited to consider helping with the Senior High Youth Ministry! We are in need of mini-course facilitators, Alpha hospitality and kitchen crew members as well as trip and event chaperones. Please contact the youth ministry office or see the LIGHT webpage for more details.

PASTORAL CARE

Anointing of the Sick Mass

All are invited to attend the Anointing of the Sick Mass on Saturday September 28 at 11am. The Mass and anointing offers healing of the mind, body and soul to everyone who is present. There will be time after Mass to come together for fellowship and refreshments.

Flu Shot Clinic

Flu shots will be available on Sunday October 6 from 8:15am to 12:15pm in the Ministry Room in the church through AMITA Health Mercy Medical Center. Flu shots may be given to those 18 years and older. The cost is \$20 by cash or check; Medicare Part B will be billed (participant must bring Medicare Card to the clinic); sorry but credit/debit cards are not accepted.

Open HEARTS Ministry

The ministry focuses on mental and emotional health and wellness. The next meeting is Monday October 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Life Center in Room 119. If you would like to join the ministry or find out about the ministry, please come to the meeting.

September is National Suicide Prevention Month. If you are in crisis, please call the 24/7 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 (Veterans, press 1) or contact the Crisis Text Line by texting TALK to 741741.

For information on any of our Pastoral Care Ministries, please contact Jolene LeRoy, RN, Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or via email at jolenel@olmercy.com.



OLM is looking for NFP (Natural Family Planning) instructors. Please prayerfully consider if the Lord is calling you and your spouse to help other couples from the parish learn the beauty of the Church's teaching in practicing NFP. If interested please contact our Director of Pastoral care, Jolene LeRoy at jolenel@olmercy.com

For information on any of our Pastoral Care Ministries, please contact Jolene LeRoy, R.N., Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or via email at jolenel@olmercy.com

Welcome Back!!!

The Little Lambs Nursery is now available during the Sunday 9:00 am and 10:45 am Masses in Room 108 in the Parish Life Center.



Nursery services are available for children age 1 (provided they are able to walk on their own) to age 4.

Join the Crafty Souls for a 12 Hour Craft Event!

Bring your favorite project and spend the day crafting in the MPR of the Parish Life Center.

**Saturday, October 19
9:00 am to 9:00 pm**

\$30 registration fee (covers lunch and dinner) due Saturday, October 5th. Contact olmcraftysouls@gmail.com for a registration form.

UNDY SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 20

Did you know that NEW underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic articles of clothing are invaluable to those living in poverty.

Our Lady of Mercy Church is helping **Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet** and the individuals and families they serve by collecting **NEW underwear, undershirts, long underwear, socks, wipes and diapers for men, women and children** living in low-income households. **All sizes are needed.** Collection Boxes will be placed in the Narthex at all weekend masses on **Saturday, October 19th** and **Sunday, October 20th, 2019**. This collection drive truly makes a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community.

For more information on Undy Sunday, please contact Maybird D'Silva at maydsilva@aol.com.





Have Mercy on our Soles Kids Dash



100 Yard Kids Dash!

The Kids Dash is a non-competitive event for children 3-8 years old. All registered children will receive a water bottle and a finisher's medal

Saturday, October 12th 8:30 am start



Have Mercy on Our Soles 5K Run/Walk

When: Saturday, October 12th

Time: 9 am

Where: Our Lady of Mercy

Register Online:

<https://runsignup.com/havemercyonoursoles5k-signup>



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Join the Our Lady of Mercy Community for our annual 5K race during MercyFest weekend! This is a professionally chip timed race on a USATF certified course that starts at the MercyFest carnival site and runs through the beautiful Waubonsie Creek Trail. Participate as an individual or as a team and stay after for our great post race awards party that includes beer, chili, snacks & a DJ in the BIG Tent!

MercyFest Cash Raffle

\$50.00

Grand prize \$10,000

Second prize \$5,000

3rd Prize: \$2,500

4th Prize: \$1,000

Only 3 weeks left! Buy Now!

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*Prizes are based on ticket sales and prorated (plus or minus).

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Parish Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 09/08/19)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	321,360
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	320,000
Amount in Excess of Budget:	\$	1,360
09/08/19 Sunday Collection:	\$	30,498
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	32,000
Amount in Short of Goal:	\$	(1,502)

Thank you for your generosity!!



DONATE ONLINE

Our online giving portal is offered for those wishing to have the convenience of supporting God’s ministry at OLM.

The site is secure and allows you to support God’s work from anywhere you have an internet connection. Look for this icon at www.olmercy.com under “Give”.



2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report

It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal	\$	133,400
Amount Pledged	\$	159,227
Amount Paid	\$	123,832
Remaining Balance	\$	35,395
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		603

Calling all the Hands and Feet of Christ!



Fox Valley Habitat is a Christian housing ministry that believes in empowering working low-income families through home ownership.

We are currently in need of OLM volunteers both Youth and Adult on Saturday October 12th to help with building our next home in Aurora for a wonderful well deserving family.

If you are not able to physically work on the construction site, but would like to purchase a shirt or hat, this would be a great way to support our Christian housing ministry. Cost is \$15.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact: Chuck Clark: 630-229-6300



Take a stand for life

The Aurora 40 Days for Life prayer vigil is a part of an international effort to end the tragedy of abortion through prayer, fasting and public witness. Every day and night from **September 25 to November 3**, people will gather outside of Planned Parenthood in Aurora to peacefully pray for all who are affected by abortion.

Our Lady of Mercy Parish is committed to cover **Friday, October 4th**. We are scheduled to have a presence there from Midnight to Midnight. Thank you for your witness to life. See 40daysforlife.com/aurora for details about signing up for our parish vigil or call or email Jane Fonner with any questions. (630) 851-8433 janeconner@comcast.net

Women at the Well



Join us for an evening of fellowship with women of the parish centered on Scripture and living our faith

Friday, September 27 & October 4
6:30pm - 8:30pm
(PLC) Room 114

Feel free to bring a snack to share and your Bible or just yourself and a friend!!

Please reach out with any questions

Joana Lopez | joana1.lopez@gmail.com
 Cindy Hapke | chapke20@gmail.com

Our Lady of Mercy Weekend Masses September 28 & 29 Fr. Mark preaching at all Masses.

Saturday:	4:00p	Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Phil Rehmer
Sunday:	7:30a	Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Senovio Sarabia
	9:00a	Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Art Tiongson
	10:45a	Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Mike Plese
	12:30p	Fr Don McLaughlin
	5:30p	Fr Mark Bernhard



How can I resist evil?

Oscar Wilde said, "I can resist everything except temptation!" Where does temptation come from? What about addictions-where do they come from? Can we be set free? What about all we read in the news and on social media? Do we just accept it or is this just how life is? Or is there anything we can do to make a difference. Want to find out? Consider Alpha.

Reach out to Zara to learn more 331-707-5381

SIGN UP NOW @ www.olmercy.com/alpha



Luminary Mass

All are welcome to the 23rd outdoor Luminary Mass at Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery on Sunday, October 13 at 6:15 pm. The cemetery is located at the corner of Columbia St. and North Ave. in Naperville. Bring your own chair or blanket to sit on. Luminaries will be available for purchase from 4:30-6:00 pm the evening of the mass at the cemetery or you may download a luminary order form at www.sspeterandpaul.net. Please contact Linette Graham at 630-370-8201 with any questions."

Parish Activities for the Week

Day	Time	Activity	Location
SUNDAY	7:00-12:00p	STVP Clothing Drive	Parking Lot
	8:00-10:30a	CRHP Men's Formation	Rm 114
	9:00-10:45a	Teen Alpha	Rm 211
	5:00-9:30p	CRHP Women's Formation	Rm 114
	6:30-8:15p	Teen Night	Rm 211
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MONDAY	9:00-12:00p	Art & Environment	Narthex
	4:30-5:45p	RE Class	PLC
	6:30-8:00p	Edge	MPR
	7:00-9:00p	Boy Scouts	Rm 124
	8:30-9:00a	Coffee And...	Ministry Rm
TUESDAY	4:00-5:00p	Confirmation Interviews	Ministry Rm/CC
	4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
	7:00-8:30p	Confirmation Interviews	PLC
	7:30-9:00p	Knights of Columbus General Mtg	Rm 114
	8:00-10:00a	Art & Environment	Rm 114
WEDNESDAY	9:00-12:00p	Women in Faith	Rm 114
	4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
	6:30-7:45p	RE Class	PLC
	8:00-10:00a	Art & Environment	Rm 114
THURSDAY	8:00-10:00a	Art & Environment	Rm 114
	10:00-11:00a	Moms & Tots	Rm 124
	7:00-8:30p	RCIA	Rm 217
	7:00-9:00p	Adult Alpha	MPR
FRIDAY	9:00-3:00p	Art & Environment	Church/Narthex
	6:00-7:00p	Wedding Rehearsal-Lorch/Sugas	Church
	6:30-8:30p	Legions of Mary	Rm 202
	6:30-8:30p	Women at the Well	Rm 114
	7:00-9:00p	Oberammergau 2020 Presentation	Rm 124
SATURDAY	7:00-8:00a	Fit Shepherds	Parish Grounds
	8:15-10:15a	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
	9:45-11:45a	Adult Alpha	MPR
	11:00-12:00p	Anointing of the Sick	Church/MPR
	4:00-5:30p	Hospitality	MPR
SUNDAY	7:30-7:00p	Hospitality	MPR
	9:00-10:45a	Teen Alpha	Rm 211
	11:00-12:00p	Welcome Meeting	Rm 114
	1:30-4:00p	Confirmation Interviews	PLC
	6:30-8:15p	Teen Nights	Rm 211
	6:30-8:15p	Teen Alpha	MPR

THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL MOVING WALL AND TRAVELING MUSEUM

September 26th thru the 30th

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THURSDAY 3:00 PM UNTIL 10:00 PM

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY 8:00 AM UNTIL 10:00 PM

MONDAY 8:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM

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CEREMONY TIMES

Thursday, September 26th 5:00 pm

Friday, September 27th 12:00 noon

Saturday, September 28th 2:00 pm

Sunday, September 29th 1:00 pm

Monday, September 30th 12:00 noon

If you are a Vietnam veteran and would like to participate in any of our ceremonies, please contact Dianne Sheehan dsheehan@cathcemchgo.org or by calling 630-730-3296.



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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:00-3:45pm; Reconciliation services held seasonally.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Contact the Parish Office so we may help you in any way possible.

HOSPITALIZATION: If you anticipate a hospitalization or are admitted to an area hospital and would like a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister, please notify the parish office.

BAPTISMS: Registered parishioners wishing their child baptized must attend a parent meeting held the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Baptisms are held at 12 noon the first Saturday of the month and at 2:00 p.m. the second Sundays of the month. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent.

WEDDINGS: The bride, groom or either set of parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Weddings may be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. Contact Diane Reiter, ext. 221.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you! Please register by attending our "New Parishioner Registration/Welcoming" meeting the last Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m. For more info call: 851-3444, ext. 221.

HOSPITALITY: "Hospitality" weekend is held in the Parish Life Center Multi Purpose Room after all Saturday/Sunday Masses on the last full weekend of each month (excluding December).

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