



# OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

## PARISH PRIESTS

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm  
Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am  
10:45am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm  
Monday-Friday .....8:00am  
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 Daily .....7:00am-8:00pm  
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday  
8:30am-6:00pm  
Benediction.....Monday, 6:00pm

Jesus asked,  
“Will not God  
secure the rights  
of his chosen ones  
who call out to him  
day and night?”

LUKE 18:7

# TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## October 20, 2019



From The Pastor's Desk.....  
Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!

I am away this weekend on my fall vacation to.....you guessed it! I am in beautiful Sonoma County California tasting new altar wines and visiting friends. My 10-day visit also gives Fr. Sean Rogers the pastor and only priest at St. John

the Baptist Church in Healdsburg the opportunity to get away for a break, as I will celebrate the weekday and weekend Masses while I am there. This vacation is also kind of a "last fling" for gastronomical delights. When I get back from vacation, I need to embrace some major lifestyle changes in my eating and activity habits. Prior to leaving on vacation, I had my annual physical. My doctor was not happy with my weight and results of some of my blood tests. By AMA standards, I am morbidly obese! Five years ago, I wore 38-inch waist pants. Today it is 46! My doctor said he would like to see me live to reach my retirement in 2022, and many years beyond to enjoy it. I would too! When you visit a zoo, there are signs all over that read "Please Do Not Feed the Animals." I am going to have a sign made "Please Do Not Feed the Pastor!" So, bye-bye to sweets (cake, pie, cookies, candy, flan, concha, anything with added sugar), no fried foods (chips, egg rolls, French fries, etc.), no foods high in sodium (hot dogs, pizza, bacon, sausage, sandwiches, soup and the list goes on), no carbonated beverages. Three years ago, I had a kidney removed and my protein intake needs to be less, so no dairy (milk, cheese, ice cream) and because of having acid reflux, I should avoid tomatoes, garlic and anything with high acid content. Sounds like I should become a vegan, huh? NO WAY!! I could do vegetarian. I have in the past for short periods. However, the absolute hardest thing for me to cut out of my diet will be bread – ALL bread! And of course, no more McDonald's, White Castle, etc. Thankfully, my doctor said wine "in moderation" is fine.

The second to address is my lack of exercise. Walking Chardonnay twice daily is not really exercise. She is part hound, and hounds stop every 10 feet to sniff. Fit Shepherds?? Don't want to embarrass myself. Bike riding? Winter is upon us. I have a membership to the gym across the parking lot, but for the last two years, I've been basically making a monthly donation to the Fox Valley Park District!

So, I need your prayers to get motivated and I need your help by not tempting me with your home-made goodies or store bought treats! DON'T FEED THE PASTOR!!

Have a Blessed Week!

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## Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

### Monday, October 21 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Joan Golebeck, by Carolyn Kerkla  
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM  
 6:00 PM Benediction

### Tuesday, October 22 - St John Paul II, Pope

8:00 AM † Margaret Nowak, by Friends

### Wednesday, October 23 - St John of Capistrano, Priest

8:00 AM † Margaret Nowak, by Friends

### Thursday, October 24 - St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8:00 AM † Miles Small, by Family  
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM

### Friday, October 25 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Int Uriel Ruiz

### Saturday, October 26 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation  
 4:00 PM **Vigil - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 † Pat Pohlman, by the Heying Family  
 † Patricia Pohlman, by Terry McFarland

### Sunday, October 27 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family  
 † Sophie Kerkla, by Carolyn Kerkla  
 9:00 AM † Dennis Coit, by The Coit Family  
 10:45 AM † Patricia Pohlman, by Gicci/Rader  
 12:30 PM The People of Our Lady of Mercy  
 5:30 PM Int Alyssa Jabonero, by Agnes Schlobohm

## BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL LAMPS

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

- |                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 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. Fr Don McLaughlin      |
| 5. Good Health            | 13. Fr Mark Bernhard       |
| 6. Deacon Bob Vavra       | 14. Deacon Senovio Sarabia |
| 7. Mike & Carole Brogan   | 15. The Pluskota Family    |
| 8. Special Intention-F.S. | 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.*

## MERCYFEST

EARLY BIRD DRAWING  
WINNERS

September 29 Roy Saurer  
 October 6 Richard Ossler



## Big Raffle Winners

Grand Prize: Nancy Cox  
 Second Prize: Roy Saurer  
 Third Prize: Lou Anne Kellman  
 Fourth Prize: Ayla Kibler

## We remember in prayer those in service to our country

TSgt Leah Harvey, USAF  
 Airman Melanie Hodges, US Navy  
 Nicholaus Laurie, US Marines  
 SSG Sean Murphy, USMC  
 Capt. Tara Trammell, US Army  
 Roberto Ramos, Army

Lt. Joshua Puscas, US Navy  
 Capt. Keith Harris, USAF  
 SSG Gina Maro, USAF  
 Juan Gabriel Sindac, USAF  
 Aaron Godinez, US Marines  
 Mason Webber, Army

LC/Cprl Ryan Ludwig, US Marines  
 Capt. Brian Strohmaier, US Army  
 PFC Elizabeth Pattermann, US Marine  
 Ensign Marion Eunece Bautista, US Navy  
 SSG Karla Venegas, US Army  
 SSG Jeremy Norris, US Army  
 Capt. Carmen Lockett, US Army

## 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  
 Mary Ellen Reiter  
 Hailey Hartnett  
 Thomas F. Sterling  
 Henrietta Pineda  
 La Moua

Valerie Plesha  
 Deacon Bob Vavra  
 Hedy Sterling

*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!

Estoy fuera este fin de semana en mis vacaciones de otoño en... ¡lo adivinaste! Estoy en el hermoso condado de Sonoma, California, probando nuevos vinos de altar y visitando amigos. Mi visita de 10 días también le da al Padre Sean Rogers, el pastor y único sacerdote de la Iglesia de San Juan el Bautista en Healdsburg, la oportunidad de escaparse para un descanso, ya que celebraré las misas de lunes a viernes y de fin de semana mientras estoy allí. Esta vacación también es una especie de "última aventura" para delicias gastronómicas. Cuando regrese de vacaciones, necesito adoptar algunos cambios importantes en mi estilo de vida, en mis hábitos alimenticios y de actividad. Antes de irme de vacaciones, tuve mi examen físico anual. Mi médico no estaba contento con mi peso y los resultados de algunos de mis análisis de sangre. ¡Según los estándares de AMA, estoy mórbidamente obeso! Hace cinco años, usaba pantalones de cintura de 38 pulgadas. ¡Hoy es 46! Mi médico dijo que le gustaría verme vivo para alcanzar mi jubilación en el 2022, y muchos años más para disfrutarlo. ¡Yo también lo diría! Cuando visitas un zoológico, hay letreros que dicen "Por Favor No Alimente a los Animales". Voy a hacer un letrero que dice "¡Por Favor No Alimente al Pastor!" Entonces, adiós a los dulces (pastel, tarta, galletas, caramelos, flan, concha, cualquier cosa con azúcar agregada), no alimentos fritos (chips, rollitos chinos, papas fritas, etc.), no alimentos con alto contenido de sodio (hot dogs, pizza, tocino, salchichas, sándwiches, sopa y la lista continúa), no bebidas gaseosas. Hace tres años, me extirparon un riñón y mi ingesta de proteínas debe ser menor, entonces no lácteos (leche, queso, helado) y debido a que tengo reflujo ácido, debo evitar los tomates, el ajo y cualquier cosa con alto contenido de ácido. Parece que debería ser vegano, ¿eh? ¡¡DE NINGUNA MANERA!! Yo podría ser vegetariano. Lo hice en el pasado por cortos períodos. Sin embargo, lo más difícil para mí de eliminar de mi dieta será el pan, ¡TODO pan! Y, por supuesto, no más McDonald's, White Castle, etc. Afortunadamente, mi médico dijo que el vino "con moderación" está bien.

El segundo tema a abordar es mi falta de ejercicio. Llevar a caminar a Chardonnay dos veces al día no es realmente ejercicio. Ella tiene algo de un perro de caza, y los perros de caza se detienen cada 10 pies para oler. Pastores en forma (Fit Shepherds)? No quiero avergonzarme a mí mismo. ¿Montar bicicleta? El invierno ya llega. Tengo una membrecía en el gimnasio al otro lado del estacionamiento, pero durante los últimos dos años, ¡básicamente he estado haciendo una donación mensual al Distrito de Parques de Fox Valley!

¡Entonces, necesito sus oraciones para motivarme y necesito su ayuda al no tentarme con sus golosinas caseras o sorpresas compradas en la tienda! ¡NO ALIMENTES AL PASTOR!

Que tengan una semana bendecida!

*Padre Sean*

## LA PERSISTENCIA

Las lecturas de hoy son acerca de la persistencia, persistencia apasionada. El Éxodo narra una batalla ganada a pesar del cansancio porque Moisés, con la ayuda de Aarón y Jur, mantuvieron sus brazos levantados. Timoteo pide esa misma persistencia de su comunidad y de nosotros. Lucas cuenta un caso de justicia que gana una viuda, a pesar del juez injusto, porque ella no dejaba de acudir a él. El Salmo nos recuerda que Dios está en todos lados, cuidándonos día y noche de cualquier daño, yendo y viniendo, ahora y por toda la eternidad. Las lecturas son acerca de la persistencia, la búsqueda constante e inquebrantable de lo no se debe perder. Las lecturas son acerca de la persistencia apasionada de Dios en buscarnos, buscarnos para ganar nuestros corazones. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: Rom 4:20-25; Lc 1:69-75; Lc 12:13-21
- Martes: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Sal 40 (39):7-10, 17; Lc 12:35-38
- Miércoles: Rom 6:12-18; Sal 124 (123):1b-8; Lc 12:39-48
- Jueves: Rom 6:19-23; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 12:49-53
- Viernes: Rom 7:18-25a; Sal 119 (118):66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lc 12:54-59
- Sábado: Rom 8:1-11; Sal 24 (23):1b-4ab, 5-6; Lc 13:1-9
- Domingo: Eclo 35:12-14, 16-18; Sal 34 (33):2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lc 18:9-14

# MercyFest<sup>+</sup>

On behalf of the MercyFest Planning Committee, we'd like to thank you for making our 17th annual MercyFest a huge success! MercyFest truly showcases the community and family we have at Our Lady of Mercy. It is an opportunity for us to gather as a parish to enjoy a weekend of fun, family, and fellowship. Thank you to all the parishioners that helped make a positive imprint on the parish and surrounding community over the course of the weekend.

The success of MercyFest was made possible by the efforts of many. Thank you to all our volunteers that generously gave their time to ensure MercyFest thrived. Without their energy, MercyFest would not be what it is today. The volunteers, and their commitment to our parish and community, demonstrate the best things about Our Lady of Mercy.

A special thank you to all of our sponsors and partners that donated to the Silent Auction and the many other events at Mercyfest. It is with their generosity and partnership that make the MercyFest vision a reality.

Please help support our friends in the community that contributed to MercyFest:

## Event Sponsors:



## Premiere Sponsors:



## Gold Sponsors:



## Silver Sponsors:



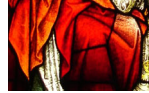
## We appreciate the companies that donated to the silent auction:

Airtastic Play Land	DuPage Symphony Orchestra	Meatheads Catering	Raging Waves Water Park
Aldi (sponsor)	Edible Arrangements	Menards - Donation Committee	SciTech Museum
Balaxi Entertainment	Feld Entertainment, Inc.	Metropolis Performing Arts Centre	Shedd Aquarium
Blueberry Hill	Fox Valley Park District	Mike More Miles	Sport Clips-N. Orchard Road
Brightside Theater	Freedom Finance Group	Morton's Steak House	St. Louis Cardinals
Chicago Bears	Fun Kuts 4 Kids	Oriental Trading Company	Sylvan Learning
Chicago Cubs	Funway	Paramount Theatre	The Growing Place
Chicago White Sox	Harbor Shores on Lake Geneva	Parishioner: Bertha Novaczyk	The Patio
Chicago Zoological Society	Joliet Slammers Professional Baseball Team	Parishioner: Carrie and Tim Makris	Waterleaf
Christopher A. Troscinski, DDS	Kane County Cougars	Parishioner: Peggy and Jim Dolinar	Wheaton Religious
Classic Cinemas	Layton Health & Wellness	Parishioner: Rich Sharpenter	Wines for Humanity
Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant	Learning Express	Parishioner: Rose and James Fisher	Zanies Comedy Nite Club
Corepower Yoga	Lou Malnati's	Pinot's Palette	Zigfield Troy Golf
Delnor	Main Event Entertainment	PRP Wines	
Double Tree by Hilton	Maxfields Pancake House		

## Please support our local businesses that donated to Mercyfest:

Aurelio's Pizza, Costco, Lou Malnati's Pizzeria, Mike & Denise's Pizzeria & Pub, Oakhurst Liquor, Papa Fresco's Pizza, Paulie's Pub & Grille, The Piazza, Sam's Club and Tiffany's Pizza





## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (Grades K-5)

### In October we Celebrate Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary

#### Q: Why do we as a Church celebrate Our Lady of the Rosary?

A: This special feast day contains a story that reveals the power of prayer and how Mother Mary interceded on behalf of Christian disciples. On October 7, 1571, Pope Pius V knew of the great disadvantage the Holy League had against the Ottoman navy at the Battle of Lepanto. Believing in the power of prayer, the Holy Pontiff had all of Europe pray the rosary and led a procession in Rome. After five hours of fighting, the Holy League kept the Ottoman navy from taking possession of Rome. With eyes of faith, this impossible victory reminds us that Our Lady does hear our prayers, and as the Mother of the Church, advocates for us to her Son, Jesus.

#### Q: What does this feast day have to do with my child(ren's) faith formation?

A: In a word, everything! As the primary influence of your children's faith, you have the power to model and teach them to turn to Mother Mary and believe in her great love for us. As Queen of Saints, she is ready to not only bring our needs to her Son, Jesus, but also bring us closer to Him. What an extraordinary gift to have our spiritual mother, Mary!

#### Q: How do I help my child develop a friendship with Mother Mary?

A. Start with these two Bible stories, the Annunciation (Luke 1: 26-38) and the Visitation (Luke 1: 39-56). These two Gospel stories include the words contained in the prayer, *Hail Mary*. Putting these words in the context of these two stories will be very helpful to them. The Bishops at the Council of Trent added the ending to the prayer, "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death." Why? The Church reflected and recognized how the Blessed Mother helps us to reconcile with God now and when we enter eternal life.

## EDGE (Grades 6-8)

### EDGE NIGHTS

OCT 21	6 <sup>TH</sup>	<i>MOSES &amp; EXODUS</i>	7/8 <sup>TH</sup> <i>FOUR FACES OF CHRIST</i>
OCT 28	<b>NO EDGE NIGHT—FMSC AT 5:45 PM AT FMSC (PERMISSION SLIPS NEEDED)</b>		

### EDGE PLUS NIGHT

The rescheduling of an EDGE PLUS Night for making fleece blankets for the homeless, will be on Thursday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Youth Ministry Room. All Jr. High teens & their friends are invited.

### FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

On **Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**, we will be doing a FMSC night. We have 100 slots reserved & families are welcome. Please go online to FMSC and sign up. Jr. High teens are welcome to attend alone or with a friend, **but permission slips are a must!** Please check your email in a *Constant Contact* email sent to you for the link to sign up.

## SENIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS (Grades 9-12)

### Teen Alpha Update

Upcoming dates: Oct 20, 27, Nov 10, 17 & 24.

The Alpha Overnight is Nov. 2-3 at OLM. Teens can sign up by getting an information and permission form packet on the LIGHT webpage or in the lobby wall display.

**Catholic Teen Nights and Bonfire** is Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas the Apostle church in Naperville. Info and permission forms can be found on the LIGHT webpage or lobby wall display.

**Teen Bible Study** meets on Wednesday's from 6-7pm in the youth center. Any teen is welcome to attend.

**Holiday Pie Sale** is now taking place! Stop by Oct. 26-27 after masses to sample the pies and place your order. Pies will be delivered on the Saturday before Thanksgiving. All proceeds support the teen mission trip.

**Signup for LIGHT Mini-Courses now!** Courses for teens are filling up fast. Get the LIGHT Guidebook on the LIGHT webpage or in the lobby wall display.

## PASTORAL CARE

### Open HEARTS Ministry

The ministry focuses on mental and emotional health and wellness. The next session will be Monday October 21 from 7:00 to 8:30pm in the Parish Life Center in Room 119. If you are looking for support and resources or would like to be of support to others, please join us.

### All Soul's Day Mass of Remembrance

Please come to the annual All Soul's Day Mass of Remembrance on Saturday November 2 at 10:00am to remember our loved ones who have passed away. Let us come together to celebrate the Mass and support one another in prayer. There will be an opportunity for fellowship and refreshments after Mass. *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."* (Matthew 11:28)

### Ladies' Advent Tea

It is not too early to think about attending the tenth annual Ladies' Advent Tea on Sunday, December 1 from 2:00 to 4:30pm. All women of the parish (ages 16 and older) are invited. Please consider asking a friend or family member to come with you! Mothers and daughters are encouraged to come together. Take the opportunity to slow down, refresh your spirit and prepare your heart for Christ!



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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight (Exodus 17:8-13).

**Psalm** — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).

**Second Reading** — Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed (2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2).

**Gospel** — Will not God secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? (Luke 18:1-8).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21  
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38  
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48  
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53  
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59  
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9  
 Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14



# The Bible Timeline

The Story of Salvation

SIGN UP ONLINE [OLMERCY.COM](http://OLMERCY.COM)  
 BEGINS TUESDAY 10/15TH  
 MEETS TUESDAYS FROM 7PM THRU 9PM  
 CONNECT WITH JOE WIACEK  
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JEFF CAVINS, SARAH CHRISTMYER, and TIM GRAY



<p><b>LECTORS</b> Register with Christine Harvey chrisharvey@gmail.com</p> <p><b>TUESDAY OCT 29TH</b> 6:30PM THRU 8:30PM OR <b>SATURDAY NOV 2ND</b> 1PM THRU 3PM</p>	<p><b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b> Register with Phyllis Anderson phyllisanderson5027@yahoo.com</p> <p><b>SUNDAY OCT 27TH</b> 2PM THRU 4PM OR <b>TUESDAY NOV 5TH</b> 6:30PM THRU 8:30PM</p>
<p><b>Inviting NEW LECTORS &amp; EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b></p> <p><b>Sign Up by October 14</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registered and participating parishioner</li> <li>• Able to receive the sacraments and attend Mass regularly</li> <li>• Willingness to grow in the spirituality of being a liturgical minister</li> <li>• EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS must be High School and older who have been confirmed</li> <li>• LECTORS must be age 14 and older with GOOD public speaking skills</li> </ul>	



**Friday Family Feast**

**Fall Harvest Dinner**

Friday, November 8th  
5:30 pm

Watch the monitors for the menu!!

## Congratulations

Dr. Tony Leazzo received the Ministry of Acolyte during a Mass celebrated by Bishop Conlon on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary Immaculate Church in Plainfield.

The Ministry of Acolyte is the final step before he will be ordained a permanent deacon on August 22, 2020. As an acolyte he will serve at the altar assisting the priest and deacon.



Dr. Tony is pictured with his wife Jennifer, sons Tony and Michael, and Fr. Don.



**OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**VISION and VALUES**

**ESSENTIAL MEETING FOR ALL MINISTRY LEADERS**

NOVEMBER 19, 2019 | 7 PM TO 8 PM @ CHURCH  
HOSTED BY FR DON & FR MARK

Calling all Ministry Leaders, take part in this essential meeting you won't want to miss as Father Don and Father Mark lay out our parish vision. See you on Oct 1st!

looking forward to seeing you and your fellow Ministry leaders

**Regrets only RSVP to frdon@olmercy.com**  
PLEASE SEND A REPRESENTATIVE IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND THIS ESSENTIAL GATHERING

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



***Parish Sacrificial Giving***

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 10/06/19)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	445,251
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	448,000
<b>Amount Short of Budget:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(2,749)</b>
10/06/19 Sunday Collection:	\$	35,749
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	32,000
<b>Amount in Excess of Goal:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,749</b>

***Thank you for your generosity!!***

*Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Parish in your will and estate planning.*



**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](http://www.olmercy.com) under "Give".

**GEMS**

**TO ALL GEMS MEMBERS AND ALL OLM PARISHONERS AGE 50 AND OVER...**

**Come join us for a special Thanksgiving luncheon on November 13...the specifics regarding location, menu and other details will be forthcoming very soon.**

**This is the time of the year that we begin collecting GEMS dues (\$20 per person under age 80).**

**Please consider bringing along a canned food item for use at Hesus House.**

**Critics Corner Movie Club...contact Pat at 630-585-6437 for information.**

**Please pray for our sick GEMS members.**



**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	\$	160,035
Amount Paid	\$	131,623
Remaining Balance	\$	28,413
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		603

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

Spaces still available.

For information or a free Brochure contact:  
**Martin J. Kadziela, CTC ALLIED TRAVEL, Cruises & Tours**  
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# MARMION ACADEMY

A Catholic & Benedictine College Prep High School for Young Men



All 5th-8th grade boys and their families are invited to our

## FALL OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 3, 2019 at 1 PM

(Doors open at 12:30 PM, please use Regole Field House Door #7)

RSVP to attend our OPEN HOUSE and you could win a Marmion Academy tuition voucher\* worth \$500!!!

RSVP online at [MARMION.ORG/OPENHOUSE](http://MARMION.ORG/OPENHOUSE)

\*Tuition voucher drawing to be held at the Open House on Sunday, Nov. 3, 2019 at 1:00 PM sharp (doors open at 12:30 PM). Must be present to win. Eligible for new students only.

For additional information call **630-897-6936** or visit us at [MARMION.ORG](http://MARMION.ORG)  
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## Our Lady of Mercy

### Weekend Masses

October 26 & 27

### Deacon Senovio will preach at all Masses.

- Saturday: 4:00p Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Senovio Sarabia  
 Sunday: 7:30a Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Tony Martini  
 9:00a Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Art Tiongson  
 10:45a Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Tim Kueper  
 12:30p Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Senovio Sarabia  
 5:30p Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Phil Rehmer



## AURORA CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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[www.auroracentral.com](http://www.auroracentral.com)

## OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 24, 2019  
from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Aurora Central Catholic High School will host an Open House for prospective students and their families on Thursday, October 24, 2019 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. All students are invited to tour Aurora Central Catholic's state-of-the-art campus and meet with ACC's faculty and staff. All visitors will have the chance to meet with representatives from various clubs and athletic teams at the school.

Aurora Central Catholic High School, a college-preparatory high school with an enrollment of about 600 students, offers students a spiritual and an educational foundation for life-long learning.

Please contact the Recruitment Director, Mackenzie Livingston, at (630) 907-0095 ext. 109, or send an e-mail to [mlivingston@auroracentral.com](mailto:mlivingston@auroracentral.com) for more information or to schedule a personal tour.

## Parish Activities for the Week

SUNDAY	October 20	
7:30-6:30p	Undy Sunday	Narthex
8:00-10:30a	CRHP Men's Formation	Rm 114
8:00-11:00a	RE Class	PLC
9:00-10:45a	Teen Alpha	MPR-A
10:05-11:15a	RCIC	PLC
11:00-12:00p	Peer Ministry Team Mtg	Rm 211
4:00-7:00p	Simbang Gabi Dance Practice	Rm 208
5:00-9:30p	CRHP Women's Formation	Rm 114
6:30-8:15p	Teen Nights	Rm 211
6:30-8:15p	Teen Alpha	MPR
MONDAY	October 21	
4:30-5:45p	RE Class	PLC
6:30-8:00p	EDGE	PLC
7:00-9:00p	Open HEARTS Ministry	Rm 119
7:00-9:00p	Boy Scouts	Rm 124
TUESDAY	October 22	
8:30-9:00a	Coffee And...	Ministry Rm
4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
7:00-9:00p	Adult Bible Study	Rm 208
7:30-9:00p	K of C General Mtg	Rm 114
WEDNESDAY	October 23	
4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
6:00-7:00p	Teen Bible Study	Rm 211
6:30-8:30p	Alpha Team Mtg	Rm 114
6:30-7:45p	RE Class	PLC
7:00-8:00p	Baptism Class	Church
THURSDAY	October 24	
7:00-8:30p	RCIA	Rm 217
7:00-9:00p	Adult Alpha	MPR
FRIDAY	October 25	
6:30-8:30p	Legions of Mary	Rm 202
7:00-8:30p	Cub Scouts	Rm 208
SATURDAY	October 26	
7:00-8:00a	Fit Shepherds	Parish Grounds
8:00-3:00p	Alpha Holy Spirit Day	MPR
8:15-10:15a	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
4:00-6:00p	Hospitality	MPR
SUNDAY	October 27	
7:30-2:00p	Hospitality	MPR
8:00-10:30a	CRHP Men's Formation	Rm 114
9:00-10:45a	Teen Alpha	Rm 211
11:00-12:00p	Peer Ministry Team Mtg	Rm 211
11:00-12:00p	Welcome Mtg	Rm 114
2:00-4:00p	Eucharistic Training	Church
4:00-7:00p	Simbang Gabi Dance Practice	Rm 208
6:30-8:15p	Teen Nights	Rm 211
6:30-8:15p	Teen Alpha	MPR



Visit and discover more.

# OPEN HOUSE

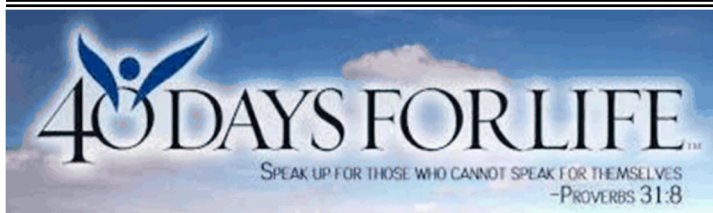
Thursday, October 17, 2019 6:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, November 3, 2019 1:00 p.m.

RSVP and enter a drawing to win \$500 tuition credit. \*\$250 cash prize per family.

- 13:1 Student:Teacher Ratio
- 100% Acceptance into College
- 27 Average ACT Score
- 98% of Students Participate in SFHS Activities
- 16,000 Hours of Service in 2018-2019
- Microsoft Showcase School







*A heartfelt thank you to all the prayer warriors who responded to the call to keep the prayer chain unbroken during our parish vigil last October 4 as part of the global 40 Days for Life. Prayer is our most powerful weapon in winning the battle for life!*



**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).

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, Voicemail-ext. 400**

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