



OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JOLIET-IN-ILLINOIS
Most Rev. R. Daniel Conlon, Bishop

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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

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 Tim Kueper
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Deacon Art Tionsgon
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

November 10, 2019

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE KING OF THE WORLD
WILL RAISE US UP
TO LIVE AGAIN FOREVER.

~ 2 MACCABEES 7:9 ~





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

We welcome two new music ensembles who will be leading us in our Sunday worship once a month at our 10:45AM Mass. A newly formed **OLM Youth Choir** for children grades 3 through 8 made their debut two weeks ago. A newly formed adult ensemble **Mercy Players** made their debut last weekend. Any children in grades 3 – 8 who would like to join the **OLM Youth Choir** are welcome to contact Carrie Nadziejko at cbeelner@msn.com. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays when RE is in session from 6:00 to 6:30PM. Anyone interested in being a part of the **Mercy Players** should contact our Director of Music Ministries, Frank Sauter at franks@olmercy.com to set up an audition. Our **Adult Choir**, which sings weekly at the 9:00AM Mass would like to welcome new members! Rehearsals are on Wednesday from 7:00 – 9:00PM. Contact Frank if you would like to join. We are always open to and encourage our parishioners with musical gifts and talents to praise God by sharing them with our parish community. We are still in need of someone to take leadership for forming and conducting a teen ensemble/choir to play once or twice a month at the 5:30PM Mass on Sunday. If there is anyone out there with that talent and desire, please contact Frank Sauter. Lastly, regarding music....all our choirs and musical ensembles are not to take place of the congregation singing! Yes, choirs and ensembles at times can sing a meditation or solo piece, but their role is to lead and enhance the congregation in singing. You folks out in the congregation....if God gave you a rotten voice – give it back! Pick up the red hymnal and sing anyway!! Those who sing pray twice!!

Advent is only three Sunday's away followed by the Christmas season. Questions often arise about the placement of the Advent wreath and nativity scene. We follow the liturgical directives of the Church for the placement of the advent wreath and the nativity scene. While the Advent wreath may be placed in the sanctuary, the directives for the nativity scene state that: “If the nativity scene is set up in the church, it must not be placed in the sanctuary.” In our church, the sanctuary is the entire elevated platform and steps that are tiled on which are placed the Altar, Ambo, Presider's and Deacon's chairs. That is why our nativity scene was set up in the narthex last year and will be again this Christmas.

Have a blessed week!

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, November 11 - St Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:00 AM Int Bailey Dodd, by Grandparents
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM
 6:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, November 12 - St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 AM † Maryann & Lissy

Wednesday, November 13 - St Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:00 AM † Agnes Patrick, by Imelda Brink

Thursday, November 14 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Int Uriel Ruiz
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM

Friday, November 15 - St Albert the Great, Bishop

8:00 AM † Arthur Biegel, by Family

Saturday, November 16 - St Margaret & St Gertrude

3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation
 4:00 PM **Vigil - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 † Thomas Bud Kiely, by The Harris Family
 † Darmelita Bautista, by Simbang Gabi

Sunday, November 17 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
 † Melva Purnell, by John Salentine
 9:00 AM Int Janina & Stanislaw Krynski, by Family
 † Jayne Hintzman, by Debbie & Steve Moen
 10:45 AM † Rosita & Rodolfo Canoy, by Family
 12:30 PM † Carmencita Pesch, by Shirley Staples
 3:00 PM Confirmation
 5:30 PM The People of Our Lady of Mercy

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. Jim Hartnett |
| 5. Joyce Craig | 13. Diane Pazos |
| 6. Deacon Bob Vavra | 14. Right Hip Pain |
| 7. Louise Touvell | 15. The Pluskota Family |
| 8. Ben & Imelda Orig | 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.

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	Helga Manglinong	Henrietta Pineda
Mel Schmudde	Marilyn Reich	La Moua
Kathryn Martini	Michael Dandan	Valerie Plesha
Mary Moody	Charlene Oates	Deacon Bob Vavra
Brady Pembroke	Maria Luna	Hedy Sterling
Wayne Draper	William Nimmow	Christopher Rich
Ailani Banulos	Jill Brisceno	Diane Pazos
Julia Schremp	Lexi Brisceno	Keith Patzer
Billy Walowski	Michael Butler	Diane Ramonas
Kathy Walowski	Mary Ellen Reiter	Diane Singer
Flo Paprzycki	Hailey Hartnett	Joyce Craig
	Thomas F. Sterling	Bob Chima Mary Ubi

HOLIDAY ANGEL PROGRAM

If you are in need of assistance to celebrate Thanksgiving and or Christmas this year, please contact the office during business hours to complete a form or to have one mailed to you. All forms must be returned to the office by Wednesday, November 13th.





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

Damos la bienvenida a dos nuevos conjuntos musicales que nos guiarán en nuestra adoración dominical una vez al mes en nuestra Misa de las 10:45AM. Un **Coro Juvenil de OLM** recién formado para niños de grados 3° al 8° hizo su debut hace dos semanas. Un conjunto de adultos recién formado, **Mercy Players**, hizo su debut el pasado fin de semana. Cualquier niño(a) de 3° al 8° grado que desee unirse al Coro Juvenil de OLM puede contactar a Carrie Nadziejko en cbeelner@msn.com. Los ensayos serán los miércoles cuando RE esté en sesión de 6:00 a 6:30PM. Cualquier persona interesada en formar parte de Mercy Players debe comunicarse con nuestro Director de Ministerios de Música, Frank Sauter, a franks@olmercy.com para programar una audición. ¡Nuestro **Coro de Adultos**, que canta semanalmente en la Misa de las 9:00AM, quisiera dar la bienvenida a nuevos miembros! Los ensayos son los miércoles de 7:00 a 9:00PM. Póngase en contacto con Frank si desea unirse. Siempre estamos abiertos y alentamos a nuestros feligreses con dones musicales y talentos para alabar a Dios a compartirlos con nuestra comunidad parroquial. Todavía necesitamos que alguien asuma el liderazgo para formar y dirigir un conjunto/coro de adolescentes para tocar una o dos veces al mes en la Misa de las 5:30PM del domingo. Si hay alguien con ese talento y ese deseo, comuníquese con Frank Sauter. Por último, con respecto a la música... ¡todos nuestros coros y conjuntos musicales no deben tomar el lugar del canto de la congregación! Sí, los coros y conjuntos a veces pueden cantar una pieza de meditación o en solista, pero su papel es dirigir y mejorar a la congregación en el canto. Ustedes en la congregación... si Dios les dio una voz malísima, ¡devuélvanla! ¡Agarra el himnario rojo y canta de todos modos! ¡Los que cantan rezan dos veces!

El Adviento está a solo tres domingos seguido de la temporada Navideña. A menudo surgen preguntas sobre la colocación de la corona de Adviento y el nacimiento. Seguimos las directivas litúrgicas de la Iglesia para la colocación de la corona de adviento y el nacimiento. Si bien la corona de Adviento se puede colocar en el santuario, las directivas para el nacimiento establecen que: “Si el nacimiento se instala en la iglesia, no debe colocarse en el santuario”. En nuestra iglesia, el santuario es toda la plataforma elevada y los escalones en mosaico sobre los que se colocan el Altar, el Ambón, las sillas del sacerdote que Preside y de los Diáconos. Es por eso que nuestro nacimiento se puso en el nártex el año pasado y volverá a ser esta Navidad.

¡Que tengan una semana bendecida!

Padre Don

CONFIANZA EN EL SEÑOR

Estamos cerca del fin del año litúrgico. Las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan que nuestras vidas se acercarán a su final un día, y podemos estar seguros de que el Señor nos animará, fortalecerá y salvará, tanto ahora y al final. La asombrosa historia de los macabeos revitaliza nuestra fe mientras contemplamos a una familia entera dispuesta a morir en lugar de negar la Ley de Moisés. La respuesta del salmo hace eco a los gritos fieles de los macabeos “Te invoqué, y me respondiste, Señor”. La misma confianza aparece en la carta de san Pablo a los tesalonicenses. “El Señor s fiel”, él da testimonio, “él te fortalecerá y protegerá del maligno”. En el Evangelio, Jesús explica por cuánto tiempo la protección de Dios perdurará. Los hijos de Dios a quien Dios cuida, Jesús dice, vivirán por siempre, como los ángeles. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Sab 1:1-7; Sal 139 (138):1b-10; Lc 17:1-6
 Martes: Sab 2:23 — 3:9; Sal 34 (33):2-3, 16-19; Lc 17:7-10
 Miércoles: Sab 6:1-11; Sal 82 (81):3-4, 6-7; Lc 17:11-19
 Jueves: Sab 7:22b — 8:1; Sal 119 (118):89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lc 17:20-25
 Viernes: Sab 13:1-9; Sal 19 (18):2-5ab; Lc 17:26-37
 Sábado: Sab 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Sal 105 (104):2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lc 18:1-8
 Domingo: Mal 3:19-20a; Sal 98 (97):5-9; 2 Tes 3:7-12; Lc 21:5-19

CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD

We are nearing the end of the liturgical year. Today's readings remind us that our own lives will draw to a close one day, and we can be certain that the Lord will encourage, strengthen, and save us—both now and at the last. The astonishing story of the Maccabees invigorates our faith as we behold an entire family willing to die rather than deny the Law of Moses. The psalm response echoes the faithful cries of the Maccabees: "I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God." That same confidence appears in Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonians. "The Lord is faithful," he testifies; "he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one." In the Gospel, Jesus explains just how long God's protection will endure. The children of God whom God guards, Jesus says, will live forever like angels.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading — May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 -3:5).

Gospel — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19;
 Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135,
 175; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,
 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12;
 Lk 21:5-19

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the seventeenth century, English Catholics, many of them wealthy and well educated, looked to the American colonies as a place to regain a measure of religious freedom. In Ireland, the so-called penal laws were even harsher than in England, as a minority Parliament tried to force the conversion of the population by denying the majority political and economic power. Beginning in 1691, laws were passed that punished dissenters, principally Catholics, but also causing hardship for Jews, Quakers, and others. There were acts forbidding "mixed marriage" or sending children "beyond the seas" for schooling. Catholics were taxed at double the common rate, barred from the legal professions and from university, and not allowed to build churches or own a decent horse.

In 1793 the situation began to change, as it became clear that the economic persecution would not drive the majority away from Catholicism. Gradually, laws were repealed until by 1829 freedom was won, although Catholics at university were ineligible for honors, and until the 1920s when the Republic was formed, the Church of Ireland was the state church, funded by the taxes of all citizens.

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UNDY SUNDAY - THANK YOU!

Dear Friends at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church,

Thank you so much for making our 17th annual Undy Sunday collection drive such a great success. While most of us take basic items like underwear for granted, our neighbors who live on poverty-level incomes don't have that luxury. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities provide these basic items to those in need.

The underwear, socks, diapers, and other items that you collected on Undy Sunday are already being distributed to children, families, and seniors who come to Catholic Charities for help. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of those who are experiencing poverty and homelessness.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Langdon
 Director, Development and
 Communications
 Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (Grades K-5)

First Three Commandments Show Us How to Love God

Commandment #1 ***I AM YOUR GOD. LOVE ME ABOVE ALL THINGS.*** God created everything and everyone. God loves all Creation. We praise and worship only God and recognize all the good things God has done for us.

Commandment #2 ***USE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH DEEP RESPECT.*** This commandment teaches us to use God's name only in prayer or when sharing the Good News about Him with others. We should not use God's name when we are angry or make untrue statements in God's name.

Commandment #3 ***KEEP HOLY THE LORD'S DAY.*** We attend Mass on the Lord's Day either on Saturday evening or on Sunday. We must keep the Lord's Day holy because we remember all that the Lord did and is doing for us through His life, death and resurrection. We receive the most precious gift of Himself in Holy Communion.

EDGE (Grades 6-8)

EDGE NIGHTS 6:30/8 PM

Nov. 11 th	(6 th) RUTH & ESTHER	(7/8 th) SACRAMENTS
Nov. 18 th	(6 th) JOB	(7/8 th) LIVING A MORAL LIFE

EDGE PLUS NIGHTS

THURS. NOV. 14th DOOR DECORATIONS FOR ALDEN NURSING HOME 6:30/8 PM

UPCOMING EDGE PLUS EVENTS IN DECEMBER

SUN. DEC. 8 TH	1:30/3:30 PM	ALDEN-DELIVERY OF DECORATIONS & CHRISTMAS CAROLING
SUN. DEC. 29	2/4 PM	COOKING FOR HESED HOUSE AT OLM IN KITCHEN
MON. DEC. 30 TH		BOWLING (TIME TBA)

(Permission slips are available at EDGE, in front of RE Office & on our website for Nov. 7 & Dec. 8th. Additional info will be forthcoming for the last 2 EDGE PLUS events in December.)

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS (Grades 9-12)

Teen Alpha Update

Upcoming dates: Nov 10, 17 & 24.

Service and Discipleship projects are available for teens! Sign-up online! Go to the LIGHT webpage for more details!

Holiday Pies will be delivered on the Saturday, November 23rd between 10am-Noon in the PLC.

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.

Faith Conversations with high school teens interested in the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin in November. Check out the LIGHT webpage for more details.

Poinsettia Sale will begin on November 16-17 after masses. Order your beautiful holiday plants now to be delivered on December 7th.

Teen Friendsgiving Dinner will be held on Tuesday, November 26th from 7:00-9:00 pm in the PLC. All high school teens welcome!

PASTORAL CARE

Open HEARTS Ministry

The ministry focuses on mental and emotional health and wellness. The next session will be Monday November 18 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.

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!

The presenter this year will be parishioner, Marissa Happ. The focus of the tea this year will be "JOY".

Grieving During the Holiday Season

The holidays are a time of joy and celebrations. If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, the holidays may intensify your feelings of grief and loss. How can one rejoice or feel happy when one's heart is breaking?

Thanksgiving and Christmas will not be the same without your loved one. Traditions of the past may change this year. Listen to your body, heart and soul as to what will be the best for you to do. Start each day with a prayer asking for God's care and love to help you through each day. Pray for the gift of hope and peace that only comes from our loving God who is always there for us. Remember that Jesus understands pain and loss and He is beside you every moment of the day.

There are grief resources and a list of the Diocese of Joliet parish-based bereavement support groups available on the table in the narthex. If you would like individual grief support, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380.

The Angel Gift Giving Program needs your support.

This program is supporting our parishioners that are in need of assistance over Thanksgiving and Christmas. We ask you to prayerfully consider helping our brothers and sisters. We will gladly accept any monetary donation. We then convert the money into gift cards for stores that are convenient for the families. This year we will have a Giving Tree in the narthex with tags on it indicating the various denominations that are needed. We have different allotments for various size families for dinners. Christmas gifts are allotted at \$25 a person.



You can donate by using one the Angel Giving Envelopes located under the Giving Tree in the Narthex and placing it in the collection basket at Mass. Donations can also be brought into the Parish Office or mailed. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Beth at 630-303-6668.



DONATE BLOOD
GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD THIS FALL

Season
of giving

**Saturday
November
16
8AM - 12PM**

Knights of Columbus-Our Lady of Mercy Blood Drive
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Our Lady of Mercy
701 S. Eola Rd, Aurora

To prepare for your donation ~ Eat Well ~ Stay Hydrated ~ Bring Photo ID

We welcome walk-ins and honor appointments. Call 800-7TO-GIVE or visit versiti.org/IL or load the Versiti Donor app OR contact Dennis at denkalata@me.com

All donors will receive a \$10 Colonial Cafe gift certificate as a thank you for your donation!

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel we find that God is a God of the living, and this is indeed the core of our hope. Jesus has risen and is with us, and therefore at no time should we be without hope in the future.

When you give a monetary donation Or a donation of furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you give hope to your neighbors who have little or are experiencing an emergency. Please be as generous as you can in the monthly collection for St. Vincent de Paul. Our volunteers see many people during the month who are grateful for the generosity of the parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy who have helped them through a difficult situation- giving them hope for a brighter future.

Thank you for caring and sharing.



**Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday, November 10th
8:00 am to 12:30 pm in the Gym**

Tickets at the Door
Adults \$5.00 Children 10 & Under \$3.00
Children Under 3 No Charge

Join us for delicious pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit, coffee, tea and juice!

You are cordially
invited

**NOVEMBER 23 - 24, 2019 ...
AFTER ALL MASSES
Except 5:30 p.m. Mass**




MINISTRY FAIR

connect grow serve

where IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SERVE?

Investigate opportunities



*Women
at the Well*

*Sir, give me
this water for I
get thirsty*

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

**Friday, Nov. 15
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

Christmas Flower Offerings



This Christmas we will again display poinsettias around the altar to remind all of us that the best gift we can give is the gift of love. If you wish to remember a family member this Christmas, please use this form or a Flower Offering donation envelope (available in the Narthex). Please return this form along with the suggested stipend of \$10 to the Parish Office by December 6th in order to be inserted in the December 22nd bulletin.

Given in Memory of: _____

Given by: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

AMOUNT \$ _____





GEMS

TO ALL GEMS MEMBERS AND ALL OLM PARISHIONERS AGE 50 AND OVER...

Come join us for a special Thanksgiving luncheon on November 13...the location will be the Pomegranate Restaurant at 55 South Commons Drive in Aurora. We will be meeting at 12:00 noon at the restaurant and the cost will be \$14 per person payable at the luncheon.

We will continue to collect GEMS dues (\$20 per person under age 80).

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

SIGN UP NOW: A special trip to Drury Lane Theater is being planned for Thursday, February 20 to view a performance of "An American in Paris". Your \$66 ticket price will cover both the performance and a luncheon...lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and the show begins at 1:30 p.m. Please contact Rose Zois at 630-247-1513 for additional information.

Please pray for our sick GEMS members.

Parish Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 10/20/19)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	526,969
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	544,000
Amount Short of Budget:	\$	(17,031)
10/20/19 Sunday Collection:	\$	28,045
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	32,000
Amount Short of Goal:	\$	(3,955)

Thank you for your generosity!!



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	\$	160,474
Amount Paid	\$	134,925
Remaining Balance	\$	25,550
Rebate Amount	\$	1,067
# of Families Pledged		604



OPEN TO ALL MINISTRY LEADERS & PARISHIONERS

**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.



Friday, November 15th, 2019

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**Our Lady of Mercy
Weekend Masses
November 16 & 17**

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

Parish Activities for the Week

SUNDAY	November 10	
8:00-10:30a	CRHP Men's Formation	Rm 114
8:00-11:00a	RE Class K-1	PLC
8:00-1:00p	K of C Pancake Breakfast	MPR
9:00-10:45a	Teen Alpha	Rm 211
10:05-11:15a	RCIC Class	PLC
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
7:00-8:00p	Confirmation Rehearsal	Church
7:00-9:00p	Simbang Gabi Choir Practice	Rm 211
MONDAY	November 11	
4:30-5:45p	RE Class	PLC
6:30-8:00p	EDGE	PLC
7:00-9:00p	Boy Scouts	Rm 124
TUESDAY	November 12	
8:30-9:00a	Coffee And...	Ministry Rm
4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
7:00-9:00p	Parish Pastoral Council Mtg	Ministry Rm
7:00-9:00p	Adult Bible Study	Rm 208
WEDNESDAY	November 13	
9:00-11:00a	Women in Faith	Rm 114/208
4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
6:00-7:00p	Teen Bible Study	Rm 211
6:30-7:45p	RE Class	PLC
7:00-8:30p	ANEW	Rm 208
7:30-9:00p	Finance Council Mtg	Ministry Rm
THURSDAY	November 14	
9:00-12:00p	Moms and Tots	Rm 124
6:30-8:00p	Edge Plus	Rm 211
7:00-8:30p	RCIA	Rm 217
7:00-9:00p	K of C Business Mtg	Rm 114
7:00-9:00p	Adult Alpha	MPR
FRIDAY	November 15	
9:00-3:00p	Art & Environment	Church
6:00-10:00p	Crafty Souls	Rm 124
6:30-8:30p	Legions of Mary	Rm 202
6:30-8:30p	Women at the Well	Rm 114
SATURDAY	November 16	
7:00-8:00a	Fit Shepherds	Parish Grounds
8:00-1:00p	K of C Blood Drive	Rm 110
8:15-10:15a	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
9:00-10:00a	RE First Reconciliation	Church/Narthex
9:45-11:45a	Adult Alpha	MPR
11:00-12:00p	RE First Reconciliation	Church/Narthex
SUNDAY	November 17	
8:00-11:00a	RE Class K-1	PLC
9:00-10:45a	Teen Alpha	Rm 211
10:05-11:15a	RCIC Class	PLC
4:00-7:00p	Simbang Gabi Dance Practice	Rm 208
6:00-9:00p	CRHP Women's Formation	Rm 114
6:30-8:15p	Teen Night	Rm 211
6:30-8:15p	Teen Alpha	MPR
6:30-9:00p	Art & Environment	Church
7:00-9:00p	Simbang Gabi Choir Practice	Church



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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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