



# 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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### PARISH OFFICE

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

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday .....8:00am  
Monday (Spanish Mass-begins 7/13)...6:30pm  
Tuesday.....8:00am, 6:30pm  
Thursday.....6:30am, 8:00am  
Saturday.....8:30am  
  
Saturday (Anticipated for Sunday)..... 4:00pm  
Sunday..... 8:00am, 10:00am  
12:00pm, 5:30pm

### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

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

### CONFESSIONS

Tuesday.....7:00-8:00pm  
Saturday.....9:00-10:00am  
1:30-2:30pm  
1st Fridays of the Month.....8:30-9:15am  
Or by Appointment

### PRAYER CHAPEL

Open Daily .....7:00am-8:00pm  
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday  
8:30am-6:00pm  
Benediction.....Monday & Thursday  
6:00pm

JUNE 21, 2020 | TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Do not be afraid,*



**YOU ARE WORTH MORE THAN MANY SPARROWS.**

~Matthew 10:31



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

**BLESSING PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY**

*(suggested to be given by eldest child or mother of the family)*

Blessed are You, Lord and Father of All Life,  
who has given to us the gift of the father of our family.  
today, we honor him, and we thank You for the numerous good things  
that are ours because of him.

His love for us has been a sign of Your divine affection  
and a sharing in Your holy love.

His continuous concern for our needs and welfare  
is a mirror of Your holy providence.

And so, as we honor him,  
we praise You, Father of All Peoples.

Bless him this day with Your strength and holy power  
that he may continue to be a sign of You, our God,  
and a priestly parent to our family.

May we who have the honor of bearing his family name  
do so with great pride.

May we, the members of his family,  
assist him in his holy duties as a parent  
with our respect, our obedience and our deep affection.

Bless him, Lord, with happiness and good health,  
with peace and with good fortune,  
so that he who has shared of his very life  
may live forever with You, his God and heavenly Father.

This blessing and all graces, we pray,  
descend upon the father of our family:  
in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen+

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

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Happy Father's Day

**A Prayer for our Priests  
this Father's Day**

You came from among us  
to be, for us, one who serves.  
We thank you for ministering Christ to us  
and helping us minister  
Christ to each other.  
We are grateful for the many gifts you  
bring to our community:

for drawing us together in worship,

for visiting us in our homes,

for comforting us in sickness,

for showing us compassion,

for blessing our marriage,

for baptizing our children,

for confirming us in our calling,

for supporting us in bereavement,

for helping us to grow in faith,

for encouraging us to take the initiative,

for helping the whole community realize  
God's presence among us.

For our part, we pray that we may always  
be attentive to your needs  
and never take you for granted.

You, like us, need friendship and love,

welcome and a sense of belonging,

kind words and acts of thoughtfulness.

We pray, also, for the priests who have  
wounded priesthood.

May we be willing to forgive  
and may they be open to healing.

Let us support one another  
during times of crisis.

God our Father,  
we ask you to bless our priests  
and confirm them in their calling.

Give them the gifts they need  
to respond with generosity  
and a joyful heart.

We offer this prayer for our priest,  
Who is our brother and friend,  
Amen.

***New Schedule******Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions*****Monday, June 22 - St Paulinus of Nola & St John Fisher**

8:00 AM † Menchie Pesch, by Shirley Staples  
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration  
 6:00 PM Benediction

**Tuesday, June 23 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM † Karin Lange, by Tim & Diane Reiter  
 6:30 PM Intention of Presider  
 7:00-8:00 PM Reconciliation

**Wednesday, June 24 - Nativity of St John the Baptist**

8:00 AM † Dave Dougherty, by Phyllis Anderson

**Thursday, June 25 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

6:30 AM Intention of Presider  
 8:00 AM Int Joseph & Barbara Salata, by Jeff & Jolene LeRoy  
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration  
 6:00 PM Benediction

**Friday, June 26 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM † Daniel Cordero, by Family

**Saturday, June 27 - St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop**

8:30 AM Intention of Presider  
 9:00-10:00 AM Reconciliation  
 1:30-2:30 PM Reconciliation  
 4:00 PM **Vigil - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 † Mother of Perpetual Help, by Agnes Schlobohm

**Sunday, June 28 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family  
 Int Daliah Lopez, by Senovio Sarabia  
 10:00 AM Father's Living and Deceased  
 12:00 PM † Margaret Gorski, by Jeff & Jolene LeRoy  
 5:30 PM † Richard Gauger, by Keith Kraehmer

**LIVE STREAMED MASSES**

Weekday 8:00AM, Saturday 8:30AM, Sunday 10:00AM

We are now taking intentions for the Tues. 6:30PM,  
 Thur. 6:30AM and Sat. 8:30AM Masses.

**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. First Responders               |
| 3. Father James Guarascio | 11. Special Intention-C.H.         |
| 4. The Newly Ordained     | 12. Peace                          |
| 5. OLM Parishioners       | 13. Vocations                      |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra  | 14. Fathers & Men who Nurturer     |
| 7. Karin Lange            | 15. The Pluskota Family            |
| 8. The Deceased           | 16. Sister Concetta Petrauskas SSC |

*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.*

**IN LIGHT OF COVID-19**

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**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	Jill Brisceno	John Swanston
Wayne Draper	Lexi Brisceno	Robert Ciulla
Ailani Banulos	Michael Butler	Bridget Garry
Julia Schremp	Hailey Hartnett	David Bakke
Kathy Walowski	Thomas F. Sterling	Bill Morse
Flo Paprzycki	Henrietta Pineda	Rudolfo Gamaro
Helga Manglinong	La Moua	Nancy Higgins
Michael Dandan	Valerie Plesha	
Charlene Oates	Hedy Sterling	
Maria Luna	Diane Pazos	
William Nimmow	Diane Singer	
	Joyce Craig	

*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!

**ORACIÓN DE BENDICIÓN PARA EL DÍA DEL PADRE**  
*(Se sugiere ser dada por el hijo mayor o la madre de la familia)*

Bendito seas, Señor y Padre de Toda la Vida,  
 quien nos ha dado el regalo del padre de nuestra familia.  
 Hoy, lo honramos y Te agradecemos por las numerosas cosas buenas  
 que son nuestras debido a él.

Su amor por nosotros ha sido un signo de Tu afecto divino  
 y una participación en Tu santo amor.

Su continua preocupación por nuestras necesidades y bienestar  
 es un espejo de Tu santa providencia.

Y así, mientras lo honramos,  
 te alabamos, Padre de Todos los Pueblos.

Bendícelo este día con Tu fuerza y poder sagrado  
 para que continúe siendo un signo de Ti, nuestro Dios,  
 y un padre sacerdotal para nuestra familia.

Que nosotros, que tenemos el honor de llevar su apellido  
 lo hagamos con gran orgullo.

Que nosotros, los miembros de su familia,  
 lo ayudemos en sus santos deberes como  
 padre con nuestro respeto, nuestra obediencia y nuestro profundo afecto.

Bendícelo, Señor, con felicidad y buena salud,  
 con paz y con buena fortuna,  
 para que él que ha compartido su vida  
 viva para siempre contigo, su Dios y Padre celestial.

Esta bendición y todas las gracias, rogamos,  
 desciendan sobre el padre de nuestra familia:  
 en el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo.  
 Amén +

**¡FELIZ DÍA DEL PADRE!**

*Padre Don*

**ENTUSIASMO Y GRAMÁTICA**

Hay una buena razón para que los escritos de Pablo no se usen como modelos de gramática correcta hoy. La lectura de hoy nos ofrece un buen ejemplo de que para Pablo el mensaje tenía precedencia sobre la gramática. La primera oración es bastante larga y deja a los lectores sin aire; luego hay una serie de declaraciones que están hilvanadas sólo en la mente de Pablo. Pero, ¿qué importa? El fervor de Pablo es tan evidente que las palabras no le salen lo suficientemente rápidas para expresar sus ideas de manera ordenada. Los estudiosos de la Escritura regularmente interpretan su falta de sentido gramático como señal de la importancia de un pasaje en la Iglesia joven; como algo tan importante para ellos que el lenguaje que usaron nunca fue refinado.

¿Qué puede causar tal estado?  
 ¿Contar la trama de una película de acción o describir jugada por jugada de un juego de fútbol? ¿Cuándo fue la última vez que estuvimos tan excitados por nuestra fe en Cristo que nos faltaba el aire al contarlo, o cometíamos errores gramaticales por hablar con tanto entusiasmo? ¿Puede que sea ejemplo de mala gramática, pero es una manera excelente de inspirar a otros con el mensaje de Cristo!

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**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: 2 Re 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Sal 60 (59):3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5  
 Martes: 2 Re 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Sal 48 (47):2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
 Miércoles: Vigilia: Jer 1:4-10; Sal 71 70): 1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pe 1:8-12; Lc 1:5-17 Día: Is 49:1-6; Sal 139 (138):1-3, 13-15; Hch 13:22-26; Lc 1:57-66, 80  
 Jueves: 2 Re 24:8-17; Sal 79 (78):1b-5, 8-9; Mt 7:21-29  
 Viernes: 2 Re 25:1-12; Sal 137 (136):1-6; Mt 8:1-4  
 Sábado: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Sal 74 (73):1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17  
 Domingo: 2 Re 4:8-11, 14-16a; Sal 89 (88):2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

## ENTHUSIASM AND GRAMMAR

There is a good reason that the writings of St. Paul don't show up as examples in grammar textbooks. Today's reading is a case in point. It begins with one of those long Pauline run on sentences that leave lectors gasping for breath. So what? Take a closer look at how Paul's fervor for his subject matter derails the grammar. There is something admirable about being so caught up in his convictions that the words cannot come fast enough to express them, much less in an orderly fashion. Scripture scholars usually take this grammatical ineptness as a sign of a passage's early importance in the Christian community, something they were so ardent about that their language never got refined.

What leaves us in this condition? Re-telling the plot line of an action movie or the play-by-play of a sporting event? When was the last time any of us was so excited by our faith in Christ that we were left grasping for words, stumbling over our own errors in speech? It may be bad grammar, but it is an excellent way to inspire others with the message of Christ! Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5  
 Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
 Wednesday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
 Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 7:21-29  
 Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-6; Mt 8:1-4  
 Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17  
 Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD has rescued the poor from the clutches of the wicked (Jeremiah 20:10-13).

**Psalm** — Lord, in your great love, answer me (Psalm 69).

**Second Reading** — The grace of God overflows for all (Romans 5:12-15).

**Gospel** — All who acknowledge Jesus before others will likewise be acknowledged by Jesus before the Father (Matthew 10:26-33).

## DO NOT BE AFRAID

In our world today, it seems there are many things to make us fearful. We can become distraught over personal finances, relationships, poor choices our children are making, issues with jobs, the changing climate, the way our parish is being run, or a zillion other things. The problems may not be even be evil but may be simply life and all its challenges. But these struggles are real, and sometimes we seek unhealthy solutions. Many people suffer with issues of anxiety and depression, and fear leads others to addiction as a means of coping. In our Gospel today, God lovingly calls us beyond that darkness to light.

Sometimes we look for very complex answers when a simple promise or solution is right in front of us. As I am writing and looking out the window, I see half a dozen little birds sitting in a bush. Their presence is a reminder to me of God's love and care for each and every one of us. If something that seems so insignificant or incidental is known by God, how much more are we loved and cared for! Take a moment, look at the world around you, breathe, take it in, and ask God for the help you in your need. Turn matters over and place your trust in a loving God.

Remember, though, Jesus seldom heals without some sort of action on our part. When you have given your concern over to God, other concrete steps may be necessary. Is it time to schedule an appointment with a professional? Time to name an issue? Or time for the sacrament of reconciliation? Evil's power comes from remaining in the darkness. When we no longer close ourselves off or suffer alone but share our concerns with someone, we can begin to grow and heal and move past them. It is seldom magical or instantaneous. It is a long arduous process. But we hold on to the simple reminder, "You are worth more than many sparrows!"



## Domestic Church & Praying the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Catholics around the world show Jesus their love in prayers such as the *Litany of the Sacred Heart*. Many also visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament in this devotion and receive Communion at Mass on the First Friday of each month in a spirit of reparation for the hostility and indifference he suffers from unrepentant sinners.

The symbolic image of Christ's heart burning with love for us, even while pierced with the thorns of our indifference and ingratitude, as shown in the picture is also associated with this devotion. *The Litany of the Sacred Heart* is one of six litanies approved for public use by the Church. How beautiful would it be if each Domestic church, your household, made it your special tradition to pray the litany once a week as a family? Family members could take turns leading each line of the prayer with all the other members praying the repetitive line in italics together. Here is a somewhat shortened version for families with younger children.

Lord, have mercy on us. *Christ, have mercy on us.*  
Lord, have mercy on us. *Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.*  
God the Father of Heaven, *have mercy on us.*  
(Repeat *have mercy on us* after each line)

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
God the Holy Spirit,  
Holy Trinity, one God,  
Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father,  
Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the Virgin Mother's womb,  
Heart of Jesus, united to the Word of God,  
Heart of Jesus, holy temple of God,  
Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High,  
Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of heaven,  
Heart of Jesus, vessel of justice and love,  
Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love,  
Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise,  
Heart of Jesus, King and center of all hearts,  
Heart of Jesus, patient and rich in mercy,  
Heart of Jesus, rich to all who call upon You,  
Heart of Jesus, fount of life and holiness,  
Heart of Jesus, obedient even unto death,  
Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,  
Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation,  
Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection,  
Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation,  
Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins,  
Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who hope in You,  
Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in You,  
Heart of Jesus, delight of all saints,  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord.*  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Graciously hear us, O Lord.*  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Have mercy on us.*  
Jesus, gentle and humble of Heart, *Touch our hearts and make them more like your own. Amen.*





## Dementia or Alzheimer's Disease?

June is designated as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. Do you know someone whose life has been touched by Alzheimer's Disease? Sometimes people use the terms dementia and Alzheimer's interchangeably, but they are not the same. Dementia is the term for the loss of brain function including reasoning, thinking and recall. Alzheimer's disease is a nonreversible brain disorder. It develops slowly and progresses to a person's loss of short-term memory and total debilitation.

Alzheimer's disease is the most common type of dementia that causes problems with memory, thinking and behavior. It accounts for 60% to 80% of dementia cases. Symptoms may appear slowly at first but worsen over time to the point that a person cannot perform normal activities of daily living.

The highest risk of developing Alzheimer's is increasing age. The majority of people with Alzheimer's disease are 65 and older, but there are people under the age of 65 that have early-onset Alzheimer's. Alzheimer's is a progressive disease that worsens over time. It is the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S. A person with Alzheimer's lives on the average four to eight years after diagnosis, but could live as long as twenty years.

It is important to know that changes in the brain related to Alzheimer's begins years before any signs of the disease, may last for years and is referred to as preclinical Alzheimer's disease. There are three categories or stages of Alzheimer's: early-stage or mild; middle-stage or moderate; and late-stage or severe. Each stage has symptoms that reflect the progression of the disease and what kind of care is needed. For information on the description of the symptoms in each stage, go to the Alzheimer's Association website at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org).

The ten early signs and symptoms of Alzheimer's disease are: memory loss that disrupts daily life; challenges in planning or solving problems; difficulty completing familiar tasks; confusion with time or place; trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships; new problems with words in speaking or writing; misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps; decreased or poor judgment; withdrawal from work or social activities, changes in mood and personality. If you notice these signs and symptoms in someone you love, please have them evaluated by a medical professional to see if it is Alzheimer's disease. Early detection matters for the care and support of the person with Alzheimer's and their caregivers/loved ones.

Remember that you are not alone. Call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 1-800-272-3900 with any questions, for resources and for support.

For Pastoral Care needs please call Jolene LeRoy, RN Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380.



**EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES**  
AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PRESENTED  
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Communication is more than just talking and listening -- it's also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, and body language. As the disease progresses, individuals living with Alzheimer's or other dementias lose the ability to use words, but families can find new ways to connect.

Join us to explore how communication changes when someone is living with Alzheimer's, learn how to interpret the verbal and behavioral communication, and identify strategies to help you connect and communicate at each stage of the disease.

Visit [alz.org/CRF](http://alz.org/CRF) to explore additional education programs in your area.

**WHEN**  
Wednesday, June 24, 2020  
2:00pm - 3:30pm

**PLATFORM**  
Zoom or phone

**REGISTER**  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN\\_QdXAskFnQkO4oP\\_BQW\\_dsbQ](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN_QdXAskFnQkO4oP_BQW_dsbQ)

**Questions? Call Amanda at 815-310-5816**

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Age Guide

## Come join us in the OLM Mixed Bowling League.

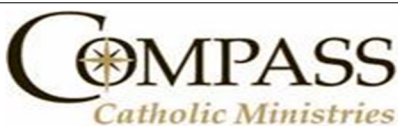
- If you have contemplated whether to join, please consider the following:
- Do you feel like you've been in the house long enough and wish to be around people again?
- Would you like to see your fellow parishioners again?
- Give yourself a night out only once/month while not being out late.
- We are not professional bowlers, many do not play outside of this league.
- All ranges of bowling scores are appropriate.
- Using a house ball and renting shoes is common practice.



If you have thought about joining a league, now is the time to give it a try. You will meet some new people in the parish and have a good time while at it. There are 4 players to a team, but we will build a team for a mix of <4 players who wish to join. Our OLM Mixed Bowling League bowls on the fourth Friday of every month beginning in August 2020 through May 2021 (no bowling in December) at 7PM. If you are unable to make a session, you can prebowl. Fees will be \$34 per couple per month. Two months fees will be collected in August; no fees are collected on the final night in May 2021.

If you have questions and/or would like to join the league, please give Dan Panozzo a call at 815-302-4111 or email at [tanddpanozzo@comcast.net](mailto:tanddpanozzo@comcast.net).

The ParkSide Lanes website will provide all safety precautions and information later in June. The teams will be finalized in early August.



### **Faith and Money Matters Bible Study:**

Want to increase savings? Reduce personal debt? Grow closer to God? Strengthen personal relationships? The *Faith & Money Matters* Bible study can help.

Whether you are young or old, retired or working, married or single, struggling financially or have plenty of money this is for you! With more than 2,500 verses in the Bible that deal with money and possessions it must be important.

We will have an orientation Tuesday, June 23 at 7pm. The orientation is to address questions and arrange for getting session materials to participants. To register for the virtual session of the Summer Study Group, please register:

<https://forms.gle/Ve549AWyfUiwhZSZ7>

Link to Tuesday Information Session:

<https://meet.google.com/jwr-toto-oci>

The sessions will start Tuesday at 7pm on June 30th. Cost is \$30/single and \$50/couple.

Contact Tony and Joy Ramirez for sign-up details at [tojo2502@gmail.com](mailto:tojo2502@gmail.com).



Pope St. John Paul II Catholic Academy is currently registering for the 2020-2021 school year!



- Preschool 3-year-olds and 4-year-olds (full day and half day)
- Kindergarten through 8th Grade
- Before School and After School Care (6:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.)
- Hot Breakfast and Lunch Program

Register at [www.jp2aurora.org](http://www.jp2aurora.org)

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(630) 844-3781

#### SOUTH CAMPUS

601 Talma Street  
Aurora, IL 60505  
(630) 851-4400



## PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 6/7/2020)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$ 1,470,062
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$ 1,536,000
<b>Amount Short of Budget:</b>	<b>\$ (65,938)</b>

6/7/2020 Sunday Collection:	\$ 34,132
Sunday Goal:	\$ 32,000
<b>Amount in Excess of Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 2,132</b>

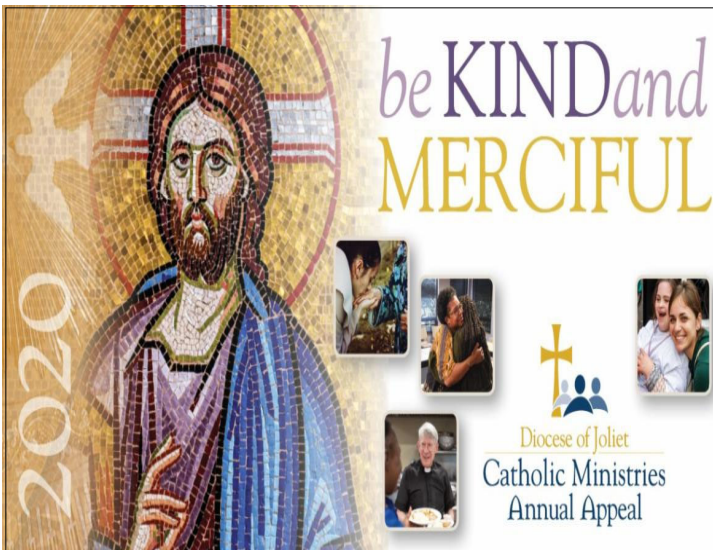
**We have received 82% of our Budgeted Collection during this lockdown period. We have had over 200 parishioners sign up for on-line giving during this time, an increase of over 100% since the Lockdown began.**

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

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

#### Construction loan for building the Parish Life Center

April, 2009	\$1,950,000
April, 2020	\$ 831,220
May, 2020	\$ 821,219



be KIND and  
MERCIFUL

Diocese of Joliet  
Catholic Ministries  
Annual Appeal

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	\$ 146,700
Amount Pledged	\$ 163,729
Amount Paid	\$ 104,443
Remaining Balance	\$ 59,286
Rebate Amount	\$ 0
# of Families Pledged	652

## *So Long For Now...*

This is my last month at OLM for EDGE. I was given the opportunity to return to the EDGE program & it has indeed been a blessing! I'd like to thank Fr. Don & Fr. Mark for their support. The teens really enjoy having them take part in an EDGE evening. Taking time from their busy schedules has shown our teens that they too are an important part of our church.

There were many wonderful moments for me especially seeing former EDGE teens & former EDGE high school teens who helped in the EDGE program, being confirmed! Time does move on.

Our Jr. High teens are remarkable. They are smart, funny, caring & very spiritual. What a great combination! Let us not forget their commitment to do service. They love it whether it is making blankets, singing Christmas carols, cooking, Feed My Starving Children or spending time writing to our deployed troops. They truly try to be Christ for others!

Thank you for the amazing impact you have had on my life. Don't ever stop questioning life-it will help you grow. More importantly, never stop learning about your faith. Parents, you have been great at volunteering & helping in so many ways. I thank you too. Keep teaching your teens our faith. They need it now more than ever.

I will forever be grateful to all of the many EDGE Leaders I have worked with over the 8 years. I loved listening to you all talk about how great the EDGE night was with your group. Your dedication is so evident at each EDGE night. You all set the tone for your group & you have done it well! You are Christ for them.

When it comes to staff, the support & kindness shown to me at OLM has made this my second home. For Jolene, Diane, Bob, Lydia, Zara, Len, Jean P., Mary Jo, Frank, Sylvester, all of our Deacons & of course, Chardonnay, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. There is a true feeling of caring here.

I wish to thank Dave & Jean Rehmer. Both of them have become such close friends of mine. Dave was the person that told me about the opening here & what a ride it has been! Jean Rehmer kept my head going in the right direction & was awesome at letting me bounce off ideas with her. The support & advice they have given me over the years...well I might not have made it without them. Their knowledge of OLM is amazing. And let's not forget the laughter, no matter how crazy it might get in the RE Office. That always made my day! I will really miss that.

I know how fortunate I am & I will forever be very grateful to God for this time at OLM. He's given me an incredible journey.

I hope everyone takes care & stays safe. God Bless you all!

*Candy*

P.S. Someone needs to give Chardonnay her treats. Don't forget!

*"Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence."*

*Pope St. John Paul II*

## Director of Adult Faith Formation/RCIA

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**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.

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