

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."

Mark 9:38-40



OUR LADY of MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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ORDINARY
TIME

From The Pastor's Desk...

Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!



An interesting phenomenon of our times is the emergence of social media. Through websites and mobile applications, we can access Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, Tumblr, Forsquare, and Pinterest, to name only a few. It's hard to know how many of these sites there actually are, but it

would be safe to say they are in the hundreds. Some of these sites have redefined the very meaning of friendship. It's possible now to have "friends" whom we've never met and might never meet in person. While the ability to "connect" with others during the COVID pandemic through this technology has been helpful, the one thing I hear the most that people have missed is in person contact with other family and friends. Our faith is a community effort requiring "real presence." Just as Jesus is really present in the Eucharist, we are community of "real presence" to one another. We need to worship with one another. With our safety protocols in place, I encourage those who have not yet returned to Mass to join us. Facemasks are required, there are hand sanitizing stations, and an air filtration system was installed in the church last year and runs continuously. We long to see your face!

I ask your prayers for the success of the radioactive iodine ablation treatment for my thyroid cancer I began last Monday. This past Wednesday, I was given the radioactive iodine pill and have been in isolation since. That's why you don't see me this weekend as I am in isolation at the rectory until Thursday, September 30.

I also ask your prayers for the priests of the Joliet Diocese who will be on a convocation with the bishop September 27 – 30. The Joliet priest convocation is held every other year, and this will be the first time with our new bishop. Due to being in isolation, I will not be able to attend.

On the cover Sunday's bulletin on September 12th was an invite to all Our Lady of Mercy parishioners to celebrate my 40th anniversary of ordination on Sunday, October 10. I will be preaching all Masses that weekend. I was ordained a priest on October 10, 1981. There will be coffee and donuts after all the Masses. I will celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 2:00pm followed by a reception in the PLC and outdoors weather permitting. You are welcome to attend this Mass and reception at 2:00pm. If you plan to attend this Mass, please RSVP to me at frdon@olmercy.com so we have an accurate count when we order food for the reception. If you are attending one of the regular scheduled Sunday Masses, there is no need to RSVP. I look forward to celebrating this milestone with my Our Lady of Mercy parish family!



Have a blessed week!



Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, Sept. 27 - St Vincent de Paul, Priest

- 8:00 am † Mathew Thadathil, by Lucy Mathew
(Live Streamed)
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction
- 6:30 pm Communion Service
(Live Streamed • Spanish Service)

Tuesday, Sept. 28 - St Wenceslaus & St Ruiz

- 8:00 am Communion Service
(Live Streamed)
- 6:30 pm Communion Service
- 7:00 pm No Reconciliations

Wednesday, Sept. 29 - Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00 pm Communion Service
(Live Streamed)

Thursday, Sept. 30 - St Jerome, Priest

- 6:30 am Communion Service
- 8:00 am Communion Service
(Live Streamed)
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction

Friday, October 1 – St Therese of the Child Jesus

- 8:00 am Special Intention
(Live Streamed)
- 12:00 pm Special Intention

Saturday, October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels

- 8:30 am † Melissa & Gilberto Chaldez, by Family
(Live Streamed)
- 9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)
- 1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)
- 4:00 pm **Vigil - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
† Albert Norena, by The Hepburn Family
Int The Wagner Family

Sunday, October 3 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† Melva Purnell by John Salentine
- 10:00 am † Margaret Griffins, by Family
(Live Streamed)
- 12:00 pm † Alfonso, Sr & Estela Ramirez, by Family
- 5:30 pm Special Intention



Blessed Sacrament Chapel Lamps

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

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| 1. Dorothy Helgren | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. The Sick | 10. Mary Delsing |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Father Don McLaughlin | 12. Andrew Acuff & Family |
| 5. Ann Borberg | 13. Diane Teten |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. Jakob Salzig |
| 7. Kelly Fox & Family | 15. Baby Roman |
| 8. The Deceased | 16. The Homeless |

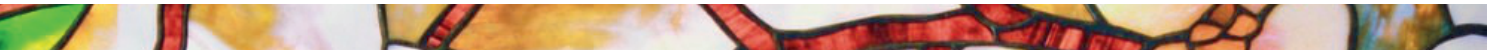
If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Our Lady of Mercy Weekend Masses

October 2 & 3

Father James will preach at all Masses.

Saturday	4:00 pm	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Tom Logue
Sunday	8:00 am	Fr Don McLaughlin Dcn Art Tionson
	10:00 am	Fr Don McLaughlin Dcn Tony Martini
	12:00 pm	Fr James Guarascio
	5:30 pm	Fr James Guarascio



We Pray

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

For our sick, confined and their families.

David Bakke
Ailani Banulos
Robert Ciulla
Michael Dandan
Wayne Draper
Mary Dunbar
Pat Dunne
Jose Ellis
William Gardaphe
Bridget Garry
Connie Hegg
Jim Hegg
Nancy Higgins
Mark Hoeksema
Eric Hoerdemann
Antoinette Humanski
Helen Joseph
Maria Luna

Kristen Manning
Susan Massett
Janice Melisi
Tony & Letty Mendez
Susan Mennenga
Bill Morse
La Moua
Charlene Oates
Flo Paprzycki
Diane Pazos
Valerie Plesha
Julia Schremp
Diane Singer
Hedy Sterling
Thomas F. Sterling
John Swanston
Kathy Walowski

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.

Please let the Parish Office know of names which may be removed from the sick list.

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, US Army
Lt. Joshua Puscas, US Navy
SSG Gina Maro, USAF
Juan Gabriel Sindac, USAF
Aaron Godinez, US Marines
SPC Mason Webber, US Army
LC/Cprl Ryan Ludwig, US Marines
Capt. Brian Strohmaier, US Army
Elizabeth Pattermann, US Marine
LTJG Marion Bautista, US Navy
SSG Karla Venegas, US Army
SSG Jeremy Norris, US Army
Capt. Carmen Lockett, US Army
SN Joshua San Diego, US Navy

Desde el Excritorio Del Pastor

¡También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!



Un fenómeno interesante de nuestro tiempo es el surgimiento de las redes sociales. A través de sitios web y aplicaciones móviles, podemos acceder a Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, Tumblr, Forsquare y Pinterest, por nombrar solo algunos. Es difícil saber cuántos de estos sitios hay realmente, pero sería seguro decir que hay cientos. Algunos de estos

sitios han redefinido el mero significado de amistad. Ahora es posible tener "amigos" a quienes nunca hemos conocido y que tal vez nunca conozcamos en persona. Si bien la capacidad de "conectarse" con otros durante la pandemia del COVID a través de esta tecnología ha sido útil, lo que más escucho y que la gente ha extrañado es el contacto en persona con otros familiares y amigos. Nuestra fe es un esfuerzo comunitario que requiere "presencia real". Así como Jesús está realmente presente en la Eucaristía, somos una comunidad de "presencia real" unos para otros. Necesitamos rendir culto unos con otros. Con nuestros protocolos de seguridad implementados, animo a aquellos que aún no han regresado a Misa a unirse a nosotros. Se requieren mascarillas, hay estaciones de desinfección de manos y el año pasado se instaló un sistema de filtración de aire en la iglesia que funciona continuamente. ¡Deseamos ver tu cara!

Les pido sus oraciones por el éxito del tratamiento de ablación con yodo radiactivo para mi cáncer de tiroides que comencé el lunes pasado. Este miércoles pasado, me dieron la píldora de yodo radiactivo y he estado aislado desde entonces. Por eso es que no me ven este fin de semana ya que estoy aislado en la rectoría hasta el jueves 30 de septiembre.

También pido sus oraciones por los sacerdotes de la Diócesis de Joliet que estarán en una convocatoria con el obispo del 27 al 30 de septiembre. La convocatoria de sacerdotes de Joliet se lleva a cabo cada dos años, y esta será la primera vez con nuestro nuevo obispo. Debido a que estoy aislado, no podré asistir.

En la portada del boletín del domingo 12 de septiembre había una invitación a todos los feligreses de Our Lady of Mercy para celebrar mi 40^o aniversario de ordenación el domingo 10 de octubre. Estaré predicando en todas las Misas ese fin de semana. Fui ordenado sacerdote el 10 de octubre de 1981. Habrá café y donuts después de todas las Misas. Celebraré una Misa especial de Acción de Gracias a las 2:00 p.m. seguida de una recepción en el PLC y al aire libre si el clima lo permite. Están bienvenidos a asistir a esta Misa y recepción a las 2:00 p.m. Si planean asistir a esta Misa, por favor confirmen su asistencia a frdon@olmercy.com para que tengamos un conteo preciso cuando ordenemos la comida para la recepción. Si asisten a una de las Misas dominicales programadas regularmente, no es necesario confirmar su asistencia. ¡Espero celebrar este acontecimiento con mi familia parroquial de Our Lady of Mercy!

¡Que tengan una bendecida semana!

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Padre Don".



Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo	Núm 11, 25-29; Sal 18, 8. 10. 12-13. 14; Stgo 5, 1-6; Mc 9, 38-43. 45. 47-48
Lunes	Zac 8, 1-8; Sal 101, 16-18. 19-21. 29 y 22-23; Lc 9, 46-50
Martes	Zac 8, 20-23; Sal 86, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7; Lc 9, 51-56
Miércoles	Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14 o Apoc 12, 7-12; Sal 137, 1-2a. 2b-3. 4-5. 7c-8; Jn 1, 47-51
Jueves	Neh 8, 1-4a. 5-6. 7b-12; Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 11; Lc 10, 1-12
Viernes	Bar 1, 15-22; Sal 78, 1-2. 3-5. 8. 9; Lc 10, 13-16
Sábado	Bar 4, 5-12. 27-29; Sal 68, 33-35. 36-37; Mt 18, 1-5, 10
Domingo	Gén 2, 18-24; Sal 127, 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6; Heb 2, 9-11; Mc 10, 2-16 o 10, 2-12



Sept. 26, 2021

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Nm 11:25-29 | Jas 5:1-6 | Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today's graphic Gospel passage always sounds a bit jarring: "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off." Upon first reading that passage, our response might be, "What?" But upon further reflection, it strikes me that Jesus is challenging us to attend to what *causes* us to sin: the vices we have acquired, the temptations we do not ignore, the sinful thoughts and behaviors we entertain or in which we engage. It is also important to identify where we might be culpable in leading *others* astray. In all of this, Jesus is asking us to be honest with ourselves and to take the necessary steps to "cut" out of our lives the things that lead us away from the Lord, allowing us to move toward him. Lest we get discouraged, we need only remember that we are not alone: We belong to Christ whose word is truth, whose precepts "give joy to the heart," and who tells us "whoever is not against us is for us." Like Moses in the first reading, we can ask that the Spirit descend upon us and give us strength.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Amazing feats we see on TV or read in the news can't help but capture our imagination. Our rich Catholic faith can be a little like that: just take a look at the lives of the saints. That's why I find the other passage in today's Gospel so encouraging. Jesus reminds us that even the smallest things we do matter — actions to help others grow in their faith: "Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." As the Lord's spirit moves us to be a prophet to others — that is, to perform deeds in his name (mighty or not-so-mighty) — we have the ability to witness the Gospel of Jesus Christ in very real and concrete ways. As St. Teresa of Avila said: "Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul."

ACTIONS Prepare for the sacrament of reconciliation by asking Jesus to help you identify what causes you to sin or drives a wedge between you and others or between you and God. Then participate in this beautiful sacrament and pray for the grace to make changes.

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Pastoral Care

Flu Shot Clinic on October 3

The flu season is upon us. If you would like to get a flu shot this year, Our Lady of Mercy will be having a flu shot clinic provided by the AMITA Health Mercy Medical Center Health Institute on Sunday, October 3 from 8:30-11:30am in the Ministry Room (located to the left as you enter the narthex).

Participants must be at least 18 years of age. The cost of the vaccine is \$25 (cash, check or Medicare Part B). Credit/debit cards not accepted for payment. For payment with Medicare Part B, please bring your Medicare card to the clinic.

Walk-ins are welcome but if you would like to register for the clinic or have questions, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN at 331-707-5380.

Do You Know Your Cholesterol Level?

September is National Cholesterol Education Month is an opportunity to raise awareness about cholesterol and the importance of knowing your levels as high cholesterol has no symptoms. High chole-

sterol is a major risk factor for heart disease such as heart attack and stroke.

Cholesterol is a waxy substance that is found in all cells. This substance has several useful functions including helping build your body's cells. Cholesterol comes from the liver and foods that are consumed. It travels throughout the blood.

There are two types of cholesterol. High-density lipoprotein cholesterol or HDL is often referred to as "good" cholesterol. HDL picks up excess cholesterol in the blood and takes it back to the liver where it is broken down and removed from the body. Normal HDL levels are: men 20 and older more than 40 milligrams; women 20 and older more than 50 milligrams. Low-density cholesterol or LDL is often referred to as "bad" cholesterol. LDL is the type of cholesterol that can build up within the walls of the arteries, leading to a heart attack or stroke. Normal LDL levels are: men 20 and older is less than 100 milligrams and women 20 and older is less than 100 milligrams.

Lifestyle or behavior choices that can help keep cholesterol levels in a healthy range are: eat a heart-

healthy diet; become more physically active; quit smoking; lose weight; and take medication as prescribed by a healthcare provider. The American Heart Association recommends that people ages 20 and older should have their cholesterol levels checked at least every four to six years. It is important to follow the advice of your healthcare provider if you are taking medication for routine blood tests as that is how cholesterol levels are checked. For more information about cholesterol, go to the American Heart Association website at www.heart.org.

Pastoral Care Services

Pastoral care is available for assistance with funeral planning, end-of-life decisions, navigating the health care system, medication and medical diagnosis management, support after the loss of a loved one, unable to come to church due to illness or mobility loss and spiritual care. Please reach out for pastoral by connecting with Jolene LeRoy RN Parish Nurse and Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380.



THE ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD IS INVITED TO

OLM BLOCK PARTY

HOPE TO SEE YOU ON Saturday Oct 2nd!

RESCHEDULED FOOD TRUCKS & OUTDOOR CONCERT IS SATURDAY 10/2nd SAVE THE DATE

- Starts 5pm (right after the 4pm Mass).
- A variety of food trucks consisting of Mexican and American food vendors such as Strawberries BBQ stand, Go Doggy Run stand (hotdog, burger), Fiesta Taco Truck, Bayou Chill (shaved ice), Little Pops Pizza Wagon, WOOGIE ROLLS Truck just to name a few.
- Starts at 6 pm with a family-friendly concert, featuring Josh Goodman and a Few Good Men with an eclectic mix of children-friendly, popular music as well as Christian music. Children be prepared to be invited to sing and dance in front of the stage area. We will also hear from Father Don and Father James as well! Bring your folding chairs, lawn blankets, and bug spray!
- Face painting and balloon art with MVP Balloon Art and Magic Show by 12-year-old Madeline Victoria Pacheco and 9-year-old Maxamiliano Victor Pacheco.

PARISH FAMILY CORNER ~ THE GOSPEL FOR ALL AGES
JESUS GATHERS A COMMUNITY, (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 57-48)

About the Gospel

Jesus reminds us that whoever is not against us is for us. This is a good reminder to treat anyone who brings Jesus to us (grandparents, parents, godparents, priests, deacons, catechists and teachers) to treat them with respect and kindness.

In Church

Say thank you to someone at your church who helps you on your faith journey.

Question of the Week

How do your parish priests bring Jesus to you? How can you bring Jesus to others?

Family Prayer

Lord, help us to recognize those who teach us to know you better. Help us to remember to show them love and kindness every day.

RINCON DE LA FAMILIA

Acerca del Evangelio

Jesus nos recuerda que quien no esta contra nosotros esta con nosotros. Esto es un buen recordatorio sobre como tratar a aquellos que nos llevan a Jesus (sacerdotes, diaconos, maestros) y merecen nuestro respeto y nuestra bondad.

En la Iglesia

Expresen su agradecimiento a alguien en su iglesia que los ayuda en la senda de la fe.

Pregunta de la Semana

¿Como te lleva a Jesus el sacerdote de tu parroquia? ¿Como puedes llevar a otros a Jesus?

Oracion en Familia

Senor, ayundanos a reconocer a aquellos que nos enseñan a conocerte mejor. Ayundanos a tratarlos con amore y amabilidad todos los dias.

PREGUNTAS EL EVANGELIO POR EDADES GOSPEL QUESTIONS BY AGE LEVEL

Adultos y Adolescentes

¿Que cosas demuestran que tu sigues a Jesus? ¿Que ensena Jesus sobre incluir a los demas?
What shows that you follow Jesus? What does Jesus teach about including others?

4th - 6th Grado

¿Como estamos conectados unos con otros? ¿Como estamos conectados con Jesus?
How are we connected to one another? How are we connected to Jesus?

2nd - 3rd Grado

¿Quienes son las personas a las que sigues? ¿Como demuestras que eres un seguidor de Jesus?
Who are people you follow? How do you show that you are a follower of Jesus?

Preescolar, Kinder, y 1 Grado

¿Que significa reunirse? ¿Quien se reúne en tu casa? ¿Quienes son miembros de tu familia?
What does gather mean? Who gathers at your house? Who are members of your family?

Diocese of Joliet World Day of Migrants and Refugees

This weekend the diocese celebrates World Day of Migrants and Refugees at a 10:30 am Mass at St. Mary's in West Chicago. All are welcome to participate and join in the theme of *Towards an Ever Wider "We."* Pope Francis chose the theme to highlight humanity's common journey in the world. It comes as the number of forcibly displaced peoples worldwide recently reached a record high. He also wanted to emphasize that "this focus calls on us to ensure that 'after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those,' but only 'us.' And this universal us must become a reality first of all within the Church which is called to cultivate communion in diversity." Please pray for the many refugees who have had to flee their country of origin, especially the recent refugees from Afghanistan. And if possible support the organizations whose mission it is to welcome refugee families in the Chicago/Aurora area - **Exodus World Services** and **World Relief**.



Why did Jesus die?

Most leaders who've influenced nations or even changed the world are remembered for the impact of their lives. Jesus, who more than any other person changed the face of world history, is remembered for His death even more than His life. Have you wondered why there is such a concentration on the death of Jesus? What's the difference between His death and the death of a war hero? Why did He die? What did it achieve? Why is it important? What does it mean? To discover answers to these questions

Connect with Zara to learn more 331-707-5381
zara@olmercy.com. #TryAlpha.

SIGN UP NOW @ www.olmercy.com/alpha

Around the Parish

SAVE THE DATE for (the rained out) OLM 2nd Day of the Block Party - Food Trucks & Concert

Block your calendar for the afternoon and evening of Saturday 10/2nd! Starts 5pm (right after the 4pm Mass) A variety of food trucks consisting of Mexican and American food vendors. Bring your folding chairs, lawn blankets, and bug spray. Think Ravinia style set-up/gathering. If you would like to volunteer, thank you! please connect with Doug McIlvaine at da.mac94@att.net.

EDGE Middle School Ministry Help

The EDGE Middle School Ministry is looking for adults to help with the EDGE Night program this year for our 6th, 7th and 8th graders. EDGE meets twice a month on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm in the PLC and has large and small group activities planned. If you are a parent, college student, single person, or a senior citizen; then you may be the right person to help with this vital ministry in the parish! Please contact Dave.

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours

The church may be locked when there are no events scheduled, however, the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm seven days a week.

Thinking About Becoming Catholic?

Or are you a Catholic seeking to enrich your faith by completing the sacraments of initiation? Connect with zara@olmercy.com. or frjames@olmercy.com.... Or for more information on RCIA please visit <https://olmercy.com/sacraments3/become-catholic-rcia/>

First Friday Devotion - Sacred Heart of Jesus

Holy Hour - 10:30 am - 11:30 am, (prior to 1st Friday Noon Mass) Join us every first Friday as we offer Our Lord prayer and worship through the Blessed Sacrament, Jesus Christ Truly Present. Handouts available in English and Spanish. Viva Christo Rey! Únase a nosotros mientras ofrecemos al Señor oración y adoración a través del Santísimo Sacramento. Folletos disponibles en inglés y español.

First Saturday Devotion - Immaculate Heart of Mary

Following 8:30 Sacrifice of the Mass Join us every first Saturday, following 8:30 Mass, as we pray in community the prayers of Fatima. This devotion is one of the messages of Fatima, it stimulates the spirit of reparation; it instills a tender love for the Holy Sacraments of Confession and the Blessed Eucharist.

Parish Sacrificial Giving		
Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	287,522
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	300,000
Amount Short of Budget	\$	(12,478)
09/05/21 Sunday Collection	\$	33,955
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	30,000
Amount in Excess of Goal	\$	3,955
<i>Thank you for your generosity!!</i>		
For the Budget Year 2021/22 we have increased the Parish Sunday goal by 10%, to \$30,000/week, due to the easing of COVID-19 restrictions.		

Parish Life Center (Construction Loan)		
April, 2009	\$	1,950,000
July, 2021	\$	667,240
August, 2021	\$	655,952



Online Giving is a great way to help your parish staff while supporting Our Lady of Mercy. Signing up is easy! Just go to our church website at www.olmercy.com and click "Give" located in the menu at the top of the page, then look for the Online Giving logo to get started. If you need assistance, directions can be found on the parish website listed under the Online Giving Link. There is also a help video located on the Online Giving website. It can be found at the top of each page.

Note: If you are giving online and would no longer like to receive envelopes in the mail, please inform the parish office.



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	\$	154,400
Amount Pledged	\$	159,701
Amount Paid	\$	147,023
Remaining Balance	\$	12,678
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		512

Important Notice

Fr. Don and Fr. James **DO NOT** send texts or emails asking for money or gift cards. If you receive a message appearing to be from Fr. Don or Fr. James, please discard it and **DO NOT SEND ANY ELECTRONIC MONETARY AID.**

Several steps you can take if you think you have received a scam email.

Double-check the sender's email address. A spoofed email address often has an extension similar to the legitimate email address. You can outsmart them by looking beyond the name and checking the "from" email address to see if it matches what you know the alleged sender's email to be.

Always verify in person/telephone before sending money or sensitive data. Be suspicious! Make it standard operating procedure to confirm email requests for wire transfer, debit cards, account information or confidential information.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

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Parish Office

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Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm

Friday 8:30am-1:00pm

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00am

Monday (Spanish Mass) 6:30pm

Tuesday 8:00am, 6:30pm

Wednesday 12:00pm

Thursday 6:30am, 8:00am

Saturday 8:30am

Saturday (Anticipated for Sunday) 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 5:30pm

Holy Days of Obligations

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 weekdays 7:00am-8:00pm

Adoration

Monday & Thursday 8:30am-6:00pm

Wednesdays 8:00am-12:00pm

First Friday of the Month 12:00pm

Benediction

Monday & Thursday 6:00pm

New Parishioners

We welcome you! Please register by visiting our website at www.olmercy.com. Click on "New Here" and choose "Join OLM" to fill out the online registration form.

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 complete a parent workshop. 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.

Parish Directory

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