



OUR LADY of MERCY  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



*Father Don,*

Congratulations on the 40th  
Anniversary of your Ordination!

## From The Pastor's Desk...

### *Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!*



The theme of today's gospel is obviously detachment. We are told that a man ran up to Jesus and asked him, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus tells him to obey the commandments. The man responds that he has done that since his youth. Jesus, looking at him, loved him, as he does us, and said to him...."You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come follow me." At that statement the man's face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions. It is hard to give up those things we treasure. Our possessions sometimes possess us! And it's not only material things....we sometimes can't let go of grudges, attitudes, silly traditions, our pettiness, etc. Jesus goes on to say how hard it is for those with wealth to enter the kingdom of God. It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich. Amazed, the disciples ask, who can be saved? Jesus tells them, and us who can't let go of our possessions, that for human beings it is impossible, but not for God. This means that if we cooperate with God's grace, we will be so overwhelmed with God's love, that it will be possible to let go of our possessions. Try it!

Today is my 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination to the priesthood....October 10, 1981. Continuing with the gospel of today, Peter says to Jesus that "We have given up everything and followed you." Jesus responds saying "Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age...."

In 40 years of priesthood, I have seen this scripture passage fulfilled in my life! I give praise to God for how my life has been blessed with many parishioners in my past seven parish assignments, and now all of you at Our Lady of Mercy, who have opened your homes to me. Been there as a mother or father, brother or sister to me in times of struggles and joys! Have given me the opportunity to be a part of your family celebrations, neighborhood parties, and console you in times of sorrow. Through your laughter, tears, ups and downs, shared memories you have brought me closer to God. I only hope and pray that, despite my unworthiness, you have been brought closer to God through the power given to me in my ordination to absolve you from your sins, and to feed you with the very Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Thank you, and God Bless You!



## Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

### **Monday, October 11 - St John XXIII, Pope**

- 8:00 am † Joseph Salata, by Jolene & Jeff LeRoy  
*(Live Streamed)*
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction
- 6:30 pm Int Veronica Manzanares, by Family  
*(Live Streamed • Spanish Mass)*

### **Tuesday, October 12 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 am † Pradeep Koilparambil, by Family  
*(Live Streamed)*
- 6:30 pm † Jose Soto, by Family
- 7:00 pm Reconciliation (Until 8:00 PM)

### **Wednesday, October 13 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00 pm † Marilyn Larkin, by Letty Nolan  
*(Live Streamed)*

### **Thursday, October 14 - St Callistus I, Pope & Martyr**

- 6:30 am Int Fr James Parker, by Betsy Gallo
- 8:00 am † Savannah Tan, by Tan Family  
*(Live Streamed)*
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction

### **Friday, October 15 - St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin**

- 8:00 am Mary & Joseph Plichta, by Mary Houdek  
*(Live Streamed)*

### **Saturday, October 16 - St Hedwig & St Margaret Mary Alacoque**

- 8:30 am † Gerardo Tolentino, by The Marquez Family  
*(Live Streamed)*
- 9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)
- 1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)
- 4:00 pm **Vigil - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
† James W Ray &  
† James W Ray, Jr by Helean M. Ray

### **Sunday, October 17 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family  
† John & Rosemary Frech, by Family
- 10:00 am † Wilfredo & Gregoria Eguia, by Family  
*(Live Streamed)*
- 12:00 pm The People of Our Lady of Mercy
- 5:30 pm † Matthew Gryzlewski, by Barbara



## Blessed Sacrament Chapel Lamps

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

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. The Poor              | 9. The Feldman Family      |
| 2. The Sick              | 10. Baby Roman             |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos       | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Ashley Marie Sanchez  | 12. God Bless Fr Don       |
| 5. The Unborn            | 13. The Lonely             |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. Robert Kranz           |
| 7. Elizabeth Auda        | 15. Ann Borberg            |
| 8. The Deceased          | 16. The Homeless           |

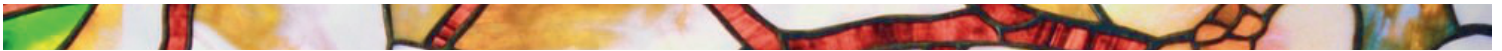
If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

## Our Lady of Mercy Weekend Masses

**October 16 & 17**

**The Presider will preach at Mass.**

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 pm	Fr Jim Antiporek Dcn Phil Rehmer
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 am	Fr Etheridge Dcn Lupe Villarreal
	10:00 am	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Art Tionson
	12:00 pm	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Phil Rehmer
	5:30 pm	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Tim Kueper



## 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  
Ann Borberg  
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!*



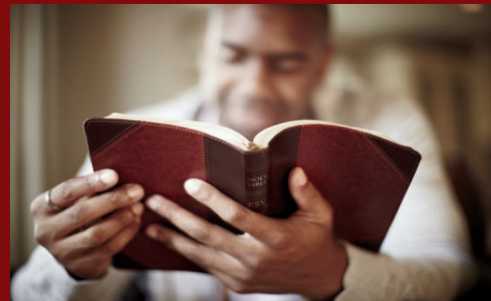
El tema del evangelio de hoy es obviamente el desapego. Se nos dice que un hombre corrió hacia Jesús y le preguntó: "¿Qué debo hacer para heredar la vida eterna?" Jesús le dice que cumpla los mandamientos. El hombre responde que lo ha hecho desde su juventud. Jesús lo miró con amor, como nos ama a nosotros, y le dijo... "Sólo una cosa te falta: Ve y vende lo que tienes, da el dinero a los pobres y así tendrás un tesoro en el cielo; después ven y sígueme". Ante esa declaración, el hombre se entristeció y se fue apesadumbrado, porque tenía muchos bienes. Es difícil renunciar a esas cosas que atesoramos. ¡Nuestras posesiones a veces nos poseen! Y no se trata solo de cosas materiales... a veces no podemos dejar de lado los rencores, las actitudes, las tradiciones tontas, nuestra mezquindad, etc. Jesús continúa diciendo lo difícil que es para los ricos entrar en el reino de Dios. Es más fácil para un camello pasar por el ojo de una aguja, que para un rico entrar en el Reino de Dios. Asombrados, los discípulos preguntan, ¿quién puede salvarse? Jesús les dice, y a nosotros que no podemos dejar nuestras posesiones, que es imposible para los hombres, pero no para Dios. Esto significa que si cooperamos con la gracia de Dios, estaremos tan abrumados con el amor de Dios, que será posible dejar nuestras posesiones. ¡Inténtenlo!

Hoy es mi 40<sup>o</sup> aniversario de ordenación sacerdotal....10 de octubre de 1981. Continuando con el evangelio de hoy, Pedro le dice a Jesús que "Nosotros lo hemos dejado todo y te hemos seguido". Jesús responde diciendo: "Yo les aseguro, nadie que haya dejado casa, o hermanos, o hermanas, o madre, o padre, o hijos, o tierras por mí y por el evangelio, dejará de recibir el ciento por uno en esta vida...."

En 40 años de sacerdocio, ¡he visto cumplido este pasaje de las Escrituras en mi vida! Alabo a Dios por cómo mi vida ha sido bendecida con muchos feligreses en mis anteriores siete asignaciones parroquiales, y ahora todos ustedes en Our Lady of Mercy, que me han abierto sus hogares. ¡Han estado allí como madre o padre, hermano o hermana para mí en tiempos de luchas y alegrías! Me han dado la oportunidad de ser parte de sus celebraciones familiares, fiestas de vecindario y consolarlos en momentos de dolor. A través de sus risas, lágrimas, altibajos, recuerdos compartidos, me han acercado a Dios. Solo espero y ruego que, a pesar de mi indignidad, se hayan acercado a Dios a través del poder que se me dio en mi ordenación para absolverlos de sus pecados y alimentarlos con el mismo Cuerpo y Sangre de nuestro Señor y Salvador, ¡Jesucristo!

¡Gracias y que Dios los Bendiga!

*Padre John*



## Lecturas de la Semana

<b>Domingo</b>	Sab 7, 7-11; Sal 89, 12-13. 14-15. 16-17(14); Heb 4, 12-13; Mc 10, 17-30 o Mc 10, 17-27
<b>Lunes</b>	Rom 1, 1-7; Sal 97, 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4; Lc 11, 29-32
<b>Martes</b>	Rom 1, 16-25; Sal 18, 2-3. 4-5; Lc 11, 37-41
<b>Miércoles</b>	Rom 2, 1-11; Sal 61, 2-3. 6-7. 9; Lc 11, 42-46
<b>Jueves</b>	Rom 3, 21-30a; Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 5; Lc 11, 47-54
<b>Viernes</b>	Rom 4, 1-8; Sal 31, 1-2. 5. 11; Lc 12, 1-7
<b>Sábado</b>	Rom 4, 13. 16-18; Sal 104, 6-7. 8-9. 42-43; Lc 12, 8-12
<b>Domingo</b>	Is 53, 10-11; Sal 32, 4-5. 18-19. 20 y 22; Heb 4, 14-16; Mc 10, 35-45 o Mc 10, 42-45





October 10, 2021

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11 | Heb 4:12-13 | Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

In the Old Testament, wealth was considered a sign of God's favor. So imagine the rich young man's surprise when he approached Jesus, only to find out that he would need to sell what he had and then give to the poor in order to follow Jesus. His face fell and he walked away. His demeanor highlights the fundamental error of equating what we have, and what we do, with salvation – of relying on earthly things, rather than God, for our deepest comfort and security. In contrast, the Book of Wisdom speaks of the richness and worth of divine wisdom over that of any precious gem or gold. We understand that divine wisdom to be manifested in the person of Jesus Christ. Therefore, true wisdom means having faith in Jesus rather than in our own efforts and whatever we might have earned in our lifetime. Otherwise, we are like a camel trying to squeeze through the eye of a needle. Jesus truly offers us the only way. I like to think that the young man came around eventually. After all, as Jesus says, "all things are possible for God." As we reflect, we can ask Jesus what we need to "let go of" to turn our sights, our minds, and our lives over to God, knowing that following his will is the surest path to the Kingdom.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Just a few days ago, we celebrated the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The behavior of the rich young man in today's Gospel – daring, enthusiastic, confident – brings the young Francis to mind. Born into wealth, he relished his carefree lifestyle and sought to become a knight. His dreams of glory, however, quickly became a nightmare as his comrades fell and he was imprisoned in a dank cell for a year. After his release, he fell seriously ill, and God spoke to him. Francis cast aside the trappings of wealth, choosing instead to seek God's will in all things. His example invites us to pray about our priorities: What things or attitudes get in the way of our relationship with God and one another? What is the Lord asking of us and how can we respond? How can we give witness to our belief that all things are possible with God?

**ACTION** Perhaps try a "consumption fast" for the next couple of weeks, purchasing only what you need – food and other necessities. Use time and energy you may have spent shopping to deepen your relationship with God and others by participating in Eucharistic adoration, going to confession, visiting an elderly relative, or contacting an old friend.

## Pastoral Care

### St. Peregrine Prayer Service

All are invited to attend the in-person St. Peregrine Prayer Service on Tuesday, October 19 in the church after 6:30pm Mass with Deacon Tony Leazzo and Jolene LeRoy RN Parish Nurse and Director of Pastoral Care. St. Peregrine is the patron saint of the sick, especially those experiencing cancer, serious illness or chronic illness. Most people have experienced physical, emotional, mental or spiritual concerns and would benefit from attending the prayer service.

If you would like to be a part of the St. Peregrine Ministry – a source of support, education, and resource sharing – contact Jolene LeRoy at [jolenel@olmercy.com](mailto:jolenel@olmercy.com) or 331-707-5380 to be on a contact list for future prayer services and events.

### Health Topic for October

October is *Breast Cancer Awareness Month*. According to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, one in eight women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime. All women are encouraged to perform breast self-exams at least once a month. Statistics show that 40% of diagnosed breast cancers are detected by women who find a lump during self-exams.

The American Cancer Society's recommendation from early detection of breast cancer for women of average risk include: ages 40-44: women should have the option to start screening with a mammogram every year; ages 45-54: women should get a mammogram every year; age 55 and older: women can change to a mammogram every year or choose to continue annual mammograms.

The National Breast Cancer Foundation recommends the following suggestions to lower one's risk of breast cancer. *Stay physically active* – it is linked with lowering breast cancer risk. *Maintain a healthy weight* – increased body weight and weight gain as an adult is linked with a higher risk of developing breast cancer with menopause. *Do not smoke* – it has shown as a higher risk of breast cancer in younger premenopausal women. *Eat fruits and vegetables* – studies have shown that a diet high in vegetables and fruit and low in red meat, can lower the risk of breast cancer. *Limit alcohol intake*.

For more information on breast cancer, early detection, risk factors, treatment, recovery or free patient support, call the American Cancer Society at 800-227-2345 or visit [cancer.org](http://cancer.org). Information is also available at the National Breast Can-

cer Foundation, Inc. website at [nationalbreastcancer.org](http://nationalbreastcancer.org). Knowledge and early detection is what is important to save lives!

### Open HEARTS Ministry

The next scheduled in-person gathering for the Open HEARTS is Monday, October 11 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in Room 218 in the Parish Life Center. The ministry is for anyone who has an interest in increasing the awareness of mental health and mental illness and sharing resources and experiences with others. The topic of discussion will be on HOPE – its importance in one's mental health and wellness. If you would like to learn more about the ministry, please send an email to Janice Hurtado Aeppli at [olmopenhearts@yahoo.com](mailto:olmopenhearts@yahoo.com).

### Pastoral Care

If you have physical, mental, emotional or spiritual health concerns or questions about end-of-life issues, funeral planning, journeying through grief, caregiving for a loved one or are homebound, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Parish Nurse and Director of Pastoral Care at [jolenel@olmercy.com](mailto:jolenel@olmercy.com) or 331-707-5380.



## Cub Scouts

### Calling All Future Cub Scouts!

Do you have a child who is interested in adventure and fun? If so, be sure to attend the Cub Scout Pack 643 orientation with your child on Friday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 100 of the Eola Center at 555 S. Eola Road. Cub Scouting is open to boys and girls from kindergarten through fifth grade. For more information, contact Cubmaster Jeremy Ginsberg at [cubscoutpack643@gmail.com](mailto:cubscoutpack643@gmail.com)

## Singles

### Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s)

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose and belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph & Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (northern suburbs), on Nov 12-14, 2021. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com), or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING DRIVE  
NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> & NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

The **St. Vincent de Paul** truck will be in our parking lot the weekend of **November 6th and November 7th** for our **Clothing Drive!!**

**We will accept.....**

**Clothing, shoes, linens and books** in good or bad condition. Unusable clothing, shoes, linens and even books generate income for the needy because they are sold for rags or in bulk.

No baby equipment such as cribs, walkers, strollers, playpens, etc. **ALL BABY CLOTHES ACCEPTED!**

**Small housewares** and electronics – dishes, glassware, utensils, toasters, blenders, coffee makers, radios, cd players etc. **SORRY NO TELEVISIONS.**

For furniture and large item donations please call 630-231-4658 to schedule a home pickup at a later date or email us at – [saintvincentdonate@gmail.com](mailto:saintvincentdonate@gmail.com).

**\*Due to Covid-19 our home pickup service has been suspended until further notice.**

Your donations go to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shops where much of your donations are given away free to needy families in the community. Some are sold at reasonable prices at the thrift shops so that needy families can shop with dignity. “Proceeds” from the thrift shops go into a general assistance fund where St. Vincent de Paul Conferences at the churches help families with rent, mortgage or utility assistance.

**Thanks for your generous donations!**  
*Society of St. Vincent de Paul*





# UNDY SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 17, 2021

*“Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me”.*  
Matthew 25:40

Did you know that NEW underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.

**Our Lady of Mercy Church** is helping **Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet** and the individuals and families they serve by collecting **NEW underwear, undershirts, socks, and diapers for children and adults** living in low-income households.

All donations will be gratefully accepted, but we are focusing on the following specific items this year:

- size 14 girl's underwear
- men's size medium undershirts (all styles)
- size 1 diapers (boys and girls)

Collection Boxes will be placed in the Narthex at all weekend masses on **Saturday, October 16th** and **Sunday, October 17th, 2021.**

You can also purchase items to donate through the **Undy Sunday Amazon Wish List**, using this link: [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/lis/2BAR1BIP4KN9P/ref=smi\\_ext\\_Ink\\_lcl\\_cl](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/lis/2BAR1BIP4KN9P/ref=smi_ext_Ink_lcl_cl) or scan the QR code that leads to the page.

If you'd prefer to send a monetary donation, please mail it to: Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/  
Undy Sunday  
16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

Your generosity makes a huge difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community.

For questions on Undy Sunday please email Maybird D'Silva at [maydsilva@aol.com](mailto:maydsilva@aol.com).



## Around the Parish

### **Brogan Family Coat Drive**

Mike and Carole Brogan were icons at Our Lady of Mercy. Both passed away in 2019. One of the ways they supported our parish was a yearly coat drive. They would literally pack up their car with donations to the point that they could barely see out of their car windows.

Once again this year the Brogan Family and our church would like to continue this mission by asking for donations of new and gently used coats, hats, boots, and gloves. The donations for women and children will benefit Mutual Ground and the donations for men's items will benefit Breaking Free.

On Sunday, October 24 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm a trailer will be in the OLM parking lot accepting the donations.

Please support this mission to carry on this tradition that is near and dear to our hearts.



### **Why & how should I read the Bible?**

Do you know the Bible is the most successful literary creation ever, more influential than Shakespeare or any other great text? It's completely international. Homer has been translated into 40 languages, Shakespeare into 60, the Bible into well over 2,000—ten times more than any other book. It's every publisher's dream! It's the world's best-seller—44 million copies of the Bible sell every year. God has given us guidelines of how to live—not because He hates us, but because He loves us and wants us to enjoy life to the full. To learn more about why we should read God's love letter to us, consider Alpha.

Connect with Zara to learn more 331-707-5381  
[zara@olmercy.com](mailto:zara@olmercy.com). #TryAlpha

**SIGN UP NOW @ [www.olmercy.com/alpha](http://www.olmercy.com/alpha)**

Parish Sacrificial Giving		
Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	345,765
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	360,000
<b>Amount Short of Budget</b>	\$	<b>(14,235)</b>
09/19/21 Sunday Collection	\$	33,715
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	30,000
<b>Amount In Excess of Goal</b>	\$	<b>3,715</b>
<b><i>Thank you for your generosity!!</i></b>		
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](http://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	\$	160,281
Amount Paid	\$	149,293
Remaining Balance	\$	10,988
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		513

## 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

Tel: (630) 851-3444 • FAX: (630) 851-3468

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](http://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

## Parish Priests

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