

# OUR LADY of MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Father*  
ONE GOD

and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

*Ephesians 4:6*

*Son*

THE WORD

became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory,  
the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.

*John 1:14*

*Holy Spirit*

THE ADVOCATE,

the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name ~ he will teach  
you everything and remind you of all that I told you.

*John 14:26*

THE HOLY TRINITY

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# From The Pastor's Desk...

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



There are many mysteries in life. When I am confounded by some mystery, I always remind myself that life is not a problem to be solved, but a mystery to be lived! One of those mysteries is what we celebrate liturgically today – The Most Holy Trinity; One God, Three persons. How in the world can you explain it? St. Patrick tried by using the three-leaf clover – one clover with three leaves. Others have used the three states of water: liquid, vapor and ice. All are water acting in three distinct ways. Instead of solving the mystery of the Trinity, I prefer to think about what the Trinity *means*. When we read the Bible, we discover that it is all about *relationships*. From the first page to the last, the Bible is all about relationships – our relationship with God and our relationship with one another. The relationship between the Father, Son, and Spirit are all equal. Each person is fully divine and equal to the others. There is no hierarchy implied in the work ascribed to each person of the Trinity. This is the model for our human relationships. We should abandon our pursuit for domination over one another. Each member of the human family is distinct, each given distinct qualities and mission. Therefore there should be no separation of the human family into higher and lower levels. In the doctrine of the Trinity we find the ultimate basis for the pursuit of justice. The doctrine of the Trinity is the basis of a new world order. Imagine that!! A mystery to be lived, not a problem to be solved!

In my bulletin article of last week, I told you 36 pilgrims from Our Lady of Mercy and St. Michael joined me in a trip to see the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany. We are now in the city of Prague in the Chez Republic, our last stop. We fly back to Chicago this Wednesday, June 15, Prague to Vienna, then Vienna to Chicago. May I once again ask for your prayers for a safe journey home.

Well, my days are truly numbered! As you read this article, I have 18 days until retirement! I will be preaching all the Masses on the weekend of June 25/26. I will be presiding at the 4:00pm Saturday, and 10:00am & 5:30pm on Sunday. Please join me after Mass for some cake and refreshments.

Have a blessed week!

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Fr. Don".

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## Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

### Monday, June 13 - St Anthony of Padua

- 8:00 am † Sharon Chipp, by Jolene & Jeff LeRoy  
**(Live Streamed)**  
8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration  
6:00 pm Benediction  
6:30 pm The People of Our Lady of Mercy  
**(Live Streamed • Spanish Mass)**

### Tuesday, June 14 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Thomas O'Donnell, by Family  
**(Live Streamed)**  
6:30 pm † Bruce Butowski, by Carolyn Kerkla  
7:00 pm Reconciliation (Until 8:00 PM)

### Wednesday, June 15 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration  
12:00 pm † Bob Piwowarczyk, by Family  
**(Live Streamed)**

### Thursday, June 16 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 6:30 am Int Judy Popernik, by The Freeston Family  
8:00 am Int John Tan, by Family  
**(Live Streamed)**  
8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration  
6:00 pm Benediction

### Friday, June 17 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Tekla Walter Kunach, by Family  
**(Live Streamed)**

### Saturday, June 18 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 am † Bruce Fichte, by Family  
**(Live Streamed)**  
9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)  
1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)  
4:00 pm Vigil - Corpus Christi  
The People of Our Lady of Mercy  
† James W Ray & James W Ray, Jr. by  
Helean M Ray

### Sunday, June 19 - Corpus Christi

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family  
† Barbara Saurer, by Roy Saurer  
10:00 am † Timothy Savoie, by Family  
**(Live Streamed)**  
12:00 pm † Bill Nimmow, by Family  
5:30 pm † Barbara Masters, by Jolene LeRoy



## 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. Charles E Thompson        |
| 3. Madeline Spradlin     | 11. Special Intention-C.H.    |
| 4. Parishioners of OLM   | 12. Patricia Kramer Daugherty |
| 5. The Pluskota Family   | 13. Edwin Garcia              |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. Baby Penelope Keene       |
| 7. Fr Michael Kearney    | 15. Bernice Tokarski          |
| 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

**June 18 & 19**

**Father James will preach at all Masses.**

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 pm	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Tony Leazzo
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 am	Fr Don McLaughlin Dcn Phil Rehmer
	10:00 am	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Tony Martini
	12:00 pm	Fr Don McLaughlin Dcn Art Tiongan
	5:30 pm	Fr Don McLaughlin 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.**

Joseph Allaire  
David Bakke  
Ailani Banulos  
Robert Ciulla  
Michael Dandan  
Wayne Draper  
Mary Dunbar  
Bridget Garry  
Brielle Hearty  
Connie Hegg  
Jim Hegg  
Nancy Higgins  
Eric Hoerdemann  
Antoinette Humanski  
Steve Johnson  
Helen Joseph  
Michael Kuchinski  
Theresa Kuchinski  
Patricia Kramer Daugherty  
Nancy Luna

Kristen Manning  
Susan Massett  
Holly Masters  
Tony & Letty Mendez  
Susan Mennenga  
Bill Morse  
La Moua  
Charlene Oates  
Flo Paprzycki  
Diane Pazos  
Valerie Plesha  
Jim Pluskota  
Julia Schremp  
Diane Singer  
Hedy Sterling  
Thomas F. Sterling  
John Swanston  
Rev. Gerald Tivy  
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/Cpl 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  
PO3 Joshua San Diego, US Navy  
LT Daniel Moran, US Army

# Desde el Excritorio Del Pastor

*También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!*



Hay muchos misterios en la vida. Cuando estoy confundido por algún misterio, siempre me recuerdo a mí mismo que la vida no es un problema para resolver, ¡sino un misterio para vivir! Uno de esos misterios es el que celebramos litúrgicamente hoy: La Santísima Trinidad; Un Dios, Tres personas.

¿Cómo pueden explicarlo? San Patricio lo intentó usando el trébol de tres hojas, un trébol con tres hojas. Otros han utilizado los tres estados del agua: líquido, vapor y hielo. Todos son agua actuando de tres maneras distintas. En lugar de resolver el misterio de la Trinidad, prefiero pensar en lo que *significa* la Trinidad. Cuando leemos la Biblia, descubrimos que se trata de *relaciones*. Desde la primera página hasta la última, la Biblia tiene que ver con las relaciones: nuestra relación con Dios y nuestra relación entre nosotros. La relación entre el Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu son todas iguales. Cada persona es plenamente divina e igual a las demás. No hay jerarquía implícita en el trabajo atribuido a cada persona de la Trinidad. Este es el modelo para nuestras relaciones humanas. Deberíamos abandonar nuestra búsqueda de dominación unos sobre otros. Cada miembro de la familia humana es distinto, cada uno tiene cualidades y misiones distintas. Por lo tanto, no debe haber separación de la familia humana en niveles superiores e inferiores. En la doctrina de la Trinidad encontramos la base definitiva para la búsqueda de la justicia. La doctrina de la Trinidad es la base de un nuevo orden mundial. ¡Imagina eso! ¡Un misterio a ser vivido, no un problema para resolverlo!

En mi artículo del boletín de la semana pasada, les conté que 36 peregrinos de Our Lady of Mercy y St. Michael se unieron a mí en un viaje para ver la Obra de la Pasión en Oberammergau, Alemania. Ahora estamos en la ciudad de Praga en la República Checa, nuestra última parada. Volamos de regreso a Chicago este miércoles 15 de junio, de Praga a Viena, luego de Viena a Chicago. Una vez más, pido sus oraciones por un viaje seguro a casa.

Bueno, ¡mis días están realmente contados! Mientras lees este artículo, ¡tengo 18 días hasta la jubilación! Estaré predicando todas las Misas el fin de semana del 25-26 de junio. Estaré presidiendo el sábado a las 4:00 p.m. y el domingo a las 10:00 a.m. y a las 5:30 p.m. Por favor únanse a mí después de la Misa para disfrutar de un pastel y refrescos.

¡Que tengan una bendecida semana!

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## Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo	Prov 8, 22-31; Sal 8, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9; Rom 5, 1-5; Jn 16, 12-15
Lunes	1 Rey 21, 1-16; Sal 5, 2-3. 5-6. 7; Mt 5, 38-42
Martes	1 Rey 21, 17-29; Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6a. 11 y 16; Mt 5, 43-48
Miércoles	2 Rey 2, 1. 6-14; Sal 30, 20. 21. 22. 23. 24; Mt 6, 1-6. 16-18
Jueves	Sir 48, 1-15; Sal 96, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7; Mt 6, 7-15
Viernes	2 Rey 11, 1-4. 9-18. 20; Sal 131, 11. 12. 13-14. 17-18; Mt 6, 19-23
Sábado	2 Cron 24, 17-25; Sal 88, 4-5. 29-30. 31-32. 33-34; Mt 6, 24-34
Domingo	Gén 14, 18-20; Sal 109, 1. 2. 3. 4; 1 Cor 11, 23-26; Lc 9, 11-17

# Pastoral Care

## Healing Hearts Ministry

All of us have experienced joys and sorrows, ups and downs, accomplishments and disappointments in our lives. There may have been times that resulted in brokenness or heavy hearts that have affected our attitude and way of living. The Open HEARTS Ministry has changed its name to the Healing Hearts Ministry as it is a ministry for anyone 18 years of age or older who would like to practice self-care for their own health and wellness and would also like to reach out to others to offer healing and hope.

The ministry is also a source of support, resources, education and advocacy for mental health concerns in the parish and community. As we gather to learn and participate in an activity that promotes healing, we will be in a safe, sacred space to share stories and pray together.

The next gathering is on Monday, June 20 from 7:00 to 8:30pm in Room 218 in the Parish Life Center. The activity is being planned and will be described in the next bulletin. If you would like to be put on the ministry email list so that you may receive information about gatherings, if you have questions, need resources or support or would like to learn more about the ministry, please contact Janice Hurtado Aeppli at 312-217-7872 or at [olmopenhearts@yahoo.com](mailto:olmopenhearts@yahoo.com).

## St. Peregrine Prayer Service and Ministry

All are invited to attend the St. Peregrine Prayer Service on Tuesday, June 21 in the church after the 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. Anyone experiencing physical, emotional, mental or spiritual health concerns would benefit from attending the prayer service. There will be time after the service to venerate the relic of St. Peregrine and pray for your personal needs or intentions.

It is important to know that you are not alone in your journey of faith as you experience illness or are a caregiver for someone. The National Shrine of St. Peregrine is the Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica Parish in Chicago. For information about the shrine and ways to connect with it go to

[olsparish@ols-chicago.org](mailto:olsparish@ols-chicago.org). There is a St. Peregrine newsletter, Compassionate Companions available on the website. If you would like information about the St. Peregrine Ministry, please provide your email to Jolene at [jolenel@olmercy.com](mailto:jolenel@olmercy.com).

## Monthly Grief Support

If you are experiencing grief and would like to join others for a time of sharing stories, tears and laughter, prayer, and moving forward in hope – please come on Monday, June 27 from 11:00am to 1:00pm in the Ministry Room located in the church. There is no registration. This is an opportunity to receive support and understanding. If you cannot join the time during the day, arrangements for an evening session will be made. If you have questions, please call Jolene LeRoy RN Parish Nurse and Director of Pastoral care at 331-707-5380.

There are a variety of support resources in the community and in faith communities. The Diocese of Joliet website has a list of support groups within the diocese on the family ministry page. The Fox Valley Hands of Hope is a nonprofit organization that provides compassionate guidance and support for the grieving at no cost to clients. Check out their website at [fvhh.net](http://fvhh.net) or call 630-232-2233 for assistance.

## 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 Help-line at 1-800-272-3900 with any questions, for resources and for support.

## Pastoral Care Needs

If you are homebound and unable to come to Mass and would like Holy Communion brought to you by a trained Minister of Care or if someone has physical, mental, emotional or spiritual health concerns, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Parish Nurse and Director of Pastoral Care for support and resources at [jolenel@olmercy.com](mailto:jolenel@olmercy.com) or 331-707-5380. If care is needed in an emergency after office hours, please call 630-851-3444 to connect with the emergency line and talk with the priest on call. God bless you and keep you in His care!

## OLM SYNODAL FEEDBACK



In response to Pope Francis' invitation in October 2021 to the worldwide community to participate in Synod 2021-2023, the Parish Pastoral Council at Our Lady of Mercy Church established a Synodal Sub-Committee in November 2021, comprising 3 Council members namely, Maybird D'Silva, Martin Kadziela, and Margaret Dodd.

The theme for the synod is "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The Synodal Sub-Committee collaborated, planned, scheduled, promoted and facilitated the synodal consultation process at the parish level by offering multiple opportunities to participate in listening sessions (in English and Spanish), both in person and via Zoom, beginning in February 2022. Our Sub-Committee prayerfully discerned, selected, invited and then trained facilitators who faithfully gave their time and talent to help us carry out this massive undertaking. There were also opportunities for feedback to be submitted via a synodal feedback form digitally (available both in English and Spanish) or the option to return physical paper copies to a designated drop-box at our church narthex.

Throughout the consultation process we emphasized the need for prayer, reflection, speaking, active listening, spiritual discernment, and that participants allow the Holy Spirit to be the protagonist. We reassured everyone that this is an anonymous process to secure candid and honest participation.

We wish to thank and acknowledge the following persons who offered us invaluable support and assistance in facilitating and transcribing feedback during this bi-lingual consultation process.

Fr. Don McLaughlin  
Andrew Bogusz  
Deacon Tony Martini  
Claudia Molina  
Kathy Alburn

Gerri Frey  
Dave Baier  
Chuck Damore  
Phil Zwick  
Gail Marattil

Beth Niewglowski  
Kim Harris  
Angie Tse  
Patricia Leatherwood  
Vero Manzanares

Miroslava Manzanares  
Bonnie Ramirez  
Ana Isabelllo  
Luz Rivero

We also wish to thank ALL WHO PARTICIPATED in this synodal process with their invaluable feedback.

Over a two month period the Sub-Committee received responses from about 185 individuals from a diverse demographic in age, gender, ethnicity, political and socio-economic background. The Sub-Committee was encouraged by the candor and honesty of participants and the willingness of many to share their personal stories. While some participants were happy with the status quo, many expressed concerns about the direction of the church. The Sub-Committee compiled the feedback and submitted a document titled, OLM Synodal Feedback Compilation to the Chancellor at the Diocese of Joliet, Mr. David Salvato on April 27th, 2022. The Chancellor will now be tasked to synthesize notes from the parish feedback that will be sent to the USCCB for the next phase in the synodal process.

During the consultation process at our parish, several participants expressed an interest in learning about the feedback and responses. In an attempt to accommodate this request, and with the permission of Fr. Don McLaughlin, the Sub-Committee constructed a 13 page document that extrapolates pertinent synodal feedback while honoring/protecting the anonymity of participants. This document is titled Synthesis of Synod Responses, and we have timed the release of this document between Pentecost and Trinity Sunday, because the Holy Spirit has been the protagonist in the synodal process. The document can be accessed using either the QR code or this link: <https://bit.ly/3POT6f7>

For those interested but unable to access this document digitally, you may call ahead and request a printed copy from the parish office. A Spanish translation will be posted on the parish website Hispanic Ministry page.

We wish to emphasize that to the best of our ability the Synodal Sub-Committee has attempted to accurately convey and characterize the feedback of participants as communicated to us. The views and opinions expressed are those of the participants in the synodal process and do not reflect the views and opinions of the Synodal Sub-Committee. While the feedback may predominantly reflect strengths, weaknesses, suggestions, complaints and comments specific to Our Lady of Mercy, they may also reflect experiences in the universal church.

We appreciate the trust and responsibility entrusted to us and are grateful for your support.

Thank you.

Maybird D'Silva, Martin Kadziela & Margaret Dodd  
Our Lady of Mercy Parish Pastoral Council - Synodal Sub-Committee



## RETROALIMENTACIÓN SINODAL EN OLM



En respuesta a la invitación del Papa Francisco a la comunidad mundial en octubre del 2021 a participar en el Sínodo 2021-2023, el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial de la Iglesia de Our Lady of Mercy estableció un **Subcomité Sinodal** en noviembre del 2021, compuesto por 3 miembros del Consejo, cuyos nombres son: **Maybird D 'Silva, Martin Kadziela y Margaret Dodd.**

El tema del sínodo es “**Por una Iglesia Sinodal: Comunión, Participación y Misión.**”

El Subcomité sinodal colaboró, planificó, programó, promovió y facilitó el proceso de consulta sinodal a nivel parroquial ofreciendo múltiples oportunidades para participar en sesiones de escucha (en inglés y en español), tanto en persona como a través de Zoom, comenzando en febrero del 2022. En oración, nuestro Subcomité discernió, seleccionó, invitó y luego capacitó a facilitadores que fielmente dieron su tiempo y talento para ayudarnos a llevar a cabo este enorme trabajo.

También se ofrecieron oportunidades para enviar la información digitalmente a través de un formulario de comentarios sinodales (disponible tanto en inglés como en español) o la opción de devolver copias físicas en papel a un buzón designado en el nártex de nuestra parroquia.

A lo largo del proceso de consulta nosotros enfatizamos la necesidad de: la oración, la reflexión, la conversación, el escuchar activamente, y del discernimiento espiritual para que los participantes permitan que el Espíritu Santo sea el protagonista. Para asegurar una participación honesta, nosotros informamos a todos que este es un proceso anónimo.

Deseamos agradecer y reconocer a las siguientes personas que nos ofrecieron un apoyo y asistencia invaluables para facilitar y transcribir los comentarios durante este proceso de consulta bilingüe.

**Fr. Don McLaughlin, Andrew Bogusz, Deacon Tony Martini, Claudia Molina, Kathy Alburn, Dave Baier, Chuck Damore, Phil Zwick, Gail Marattil, Beth Niewglowski, Kim Harris, Gerri Frey, Angie Tse, Patricia Leatherwood, Vero Manzanares, Miroslava Manzanares, Bonnie Ramirez, Ana Isabello, y Luz Rivera**

También queremos agradecer a **TODOS LOS QUE PARTICIPARON** en este proceso sinodal con su inestimable comentarios.

Durante un período de dos meses, el Subcomité recibió respuestas de unas 185 personas de diversos grupos demográficos. Diferentes grupos de edad, género, cultura, grupos políticos y estado socioeconómicos. El Subcomité se sintió alentado por la franqueza y la honestidad de los participantes y la voluntad de muchos de compartir sus historias personales. Mientras que algunos participantes estaban contentos con el status quo, muchos expresaron su preocupación por el camino en que se está dirigiendo la parroquia y la iglesia.

El 27 de abril de 2022, el subcomité compiló los comentarios y envió un documento titulado **Compilación de comentarios Sinodales de OLM al Canciller de la Diócesis de Joliet, Sr. David Salvato**. El Canciller ahora tendrá la tarea de sintetizar notas de los comentarios de la parroquia que se enviará a la USCCB para la siguiente fase del proceso sinodal.

Durante el proceso de consulta en nuestra parroquia, varios participantes expresaron interés en conocer los comentarios y las respuestas de retroalimentación de la parroquia. En un esfuerzo de acomodar este pedido, y con el permiso del P. Don McLaughlin, el Subcomité elaboró un documento de 13 páginas que concluye la retroalimentación sinodal protegiendo el anonimato de los participantes. Este documento a sido titulado **Síntesis de las Respuestas Sinodales**, y hemos planeado la publicación de este documento entre Pentecostés y el Domingo de la Santísima Trinidad, porque el Espíritu Santo ha sido protagonista durante el proceso sinodal. Este documento en inglés se puede ver usando el código QR o este enlace: <https://bit.ly/3POT6f7>

Para aquellos interesados pero que no pueden acceder a este documento digitalmente, pueden llamar con anticipación y solicitar una copia impresa en la oficina parroquial.

El document traducido en español se publicará en la página de web del Ministerio Hispano en la página de la parroquia.

Deseamos enfatizar que, en la medida de nuestras habilidades, el Subcomité Sinodal ha intentado transmitir y caracterizar con precisión los comentarios de los participantes tal como nos los comunicaron. Los puntos de vista y opiniones expresados son los de los participantes en el proceso sinodal y no reflejan los puntos de vista y opiniones del Subcomité sinodal. Si bien los comentarios pueden reflejar predominantemente las fortalezas, las debilidades, las sugerencias, las quejas y los comentarios específicos de Our Lady of Mercy, también pueden reflejar experiencias en la iglesia universal.

Agradecemos la confianza y la responsabilidad que se nos ha confiado y agradecemos su apoyo.

Gracias.

**Maybird D'Silva, Martin Kadziela & Margaret Dodd.**  
**Our Lady of Mercy Parish Pastoral Council - Synodal Sub-Committee**



## CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

SUNDAY JUNE 19  
AFTER THE 12PM MASS

Father Don and Father James invite you and your family to join them on Sunday, June 19th the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, as they lead the Our Lady of Mercy annual Corpus Christi Procession. All are very welcome.

The procession will take place immediately following the 12pm Mass. It will then make its way from the Church grounds through the neighboring streets.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi, witnesses the Church Universal giving homage and thanks to Jesus Christ who instituted the Holy Eucharist, the Church's greatest treasure.

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is celebrated either on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday or the following Sunday. The feast was instituted by Pope Urban IV in 1246.

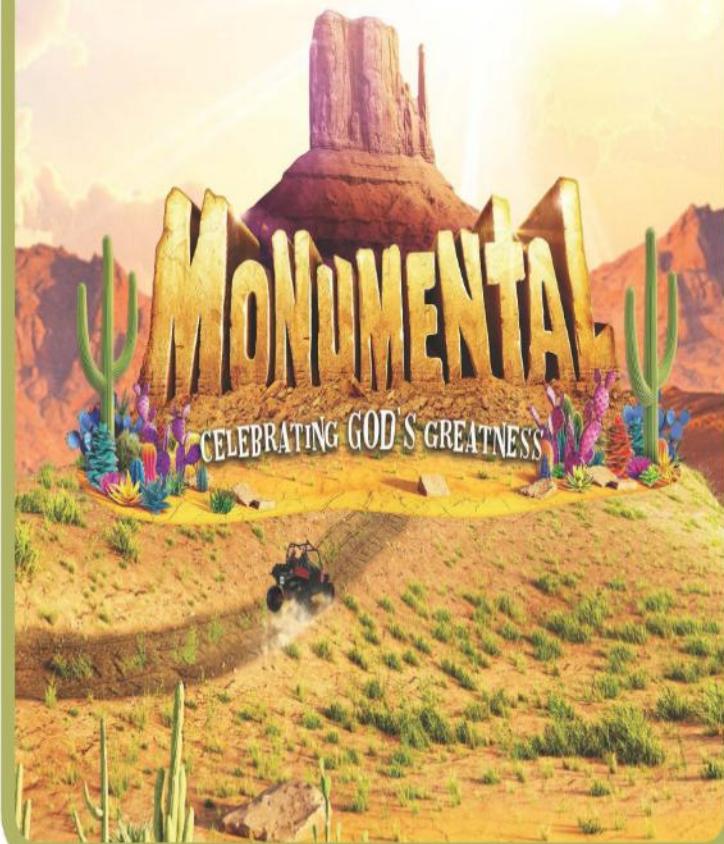
It's time for fun  
in the sun!



## Vacation Bible School is Back!!!

Monday, August 1—Friday, August 5  
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Go to: [olmercy.com](http://olmercy.com)  
Click on the "Monumental" button to  
register k-5 Campers or to volunteer



## Parish Sacrificial Giving

Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	1,372,751
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	1,350,000
<b>Amount in Excess of Budget</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>22,751</b>
05/22/22 Sunday Collection	\$	26,927
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	30,000
<b>Amount Short of Goal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(3,073)</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.

*Thank you for your generosity!!*

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



## CMAA 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	\$ 152,000
Amount Pledged	\$ 158,793
Amount Paid	\$ 113,467
Remaining Balance	\$ 45,326
Rebate Amount	\$ 0
# of Families Pledged	484

## Parish Life Center (Construction Loan)

April, 2009	\$	1,950,000
March, 2022	\$	<b>526,166</b>
March, 2022	\$	<b>514,646</b>

## Online Giving

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.*

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# 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 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 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

**Pastor** ..... Fr. Don McLaughlin  
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