



OUR LADY *of* MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

*But now we must celebrate and
rejoice, because your brother was
dead and has come to life again;
he was lost and has been found.*

Luke 15:32

24th Sunday
In Ordinary Time

News from P.I.T (Pastor in Training)



My dad's first cousin is a priest for the Diocese of Des Moines. My dad's step-brother was a Jesuit priest and professor at Creighton University. My great-aunt was a Blessed Virgin Mary (BVM) sister and taught in Chicagoland area. My mom's first cousin is a Franciscan priest in the Holy Land and was the former pastor at the Church of Nativity and the Church of Annunciation in Nazareth. If you ask my mom, she could list even more distant cousins with religious

vocations. Needless to say, religious vocations have been present in my family. However, it might surprise you to know that while growing up, the idea of priesthood never entered my mind!

Now that I am older and I can reflect back, I can see signs of the invitation, but at the time I was completely absent-minded to the Lord's call. You could say I grew up in the Lord's house, the Church; by going to Mass on weekends and Holy Day of Obligations, but I was unaware of the Lord's plan for me.

Whenever I hear the story of the Prodigal Son, I see a similar a struggle; both sons fail to see the invitation of the father. The first son wanted to find his identity away from his father, while the oldest son thought he only need to live under his father's roof. But the father was offering something more than just shelter, food, and work to both of them. He was offering his very self, his very heart.

I believe we as Catholics continue to miss out on the invitation given to us by Our Father in heaven through his Son. We are personally aware that many have left the faith like the younger son, but how many of us in the pews, or should I say those in the president's chair, fail to realize the invitation to the Father's heart through the gift of his Son?

Some may think that it would be the job of the pastor/priest and our ministries is to get people into the Church. But that would miss the point of the Gospel and the lesson that needs to be learned by the older son in the parable. The goal of the priest and our ministries at OLM is to make people aware of the beautiful invitation before them. The invitation to God's heart! I'm truly grateful for all the ministries at our parish that invites each and everyone of us to enter more deeply into the Father's heart.

Father Michael



Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, September 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

- 8:00 am † Andrew Acuff, by Jolene LeRoy
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction
- 6:30 pm Int Salamanca Family, by Mom Diaz
(Live Streamed • Spanish Mass)

Tuesday, September 13 - St John Chrysostom, Bishop

- 8:00 am † Josefina Rina-Oliva, by Ross Rina
- 6:30 pm † Angel Valverde, by Daughter
- 7:00 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Wednesday, September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00 pm † Paula Toole, by Carolyn Kerkla
- 12:30 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Thursday, September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

- 6:30 am † Miles Small, by Family
- 8:00 am † Christopher Lickteig, by Susan Andrews
(Live Streamed)
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction

Friday, September 16 - Sts Cornelius, Pope

- 8:00 am † Maria Carmen Kare, by Gil & Arlene & Family

Saturday, September 17 - St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop

- 8:30 am † Fely Juarez, by Purita Angeles
- 9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)
- 1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)
- 4:00 pm **Vigil - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
† James W Ray & James W Ray, Jr,
By Helean M Ray
Int Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra, by Family

Sunday, September 18 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† David Repak, by Renee Guaracio
- 10:00 am The People of Our Lady of Mercy
(Live Streamed)
- 12:00 pm † Rick & Karen Connors, by The Guarascio Family
- 5:30 pm † Janice Melisi, by Family



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. Caron & Thompson Families | 10. Charles E Thompson |
| 3. Whalen & Jirasek Families | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Baby Riley Chick | 12. Patricia Kramer Daugherty |
| 5. The Pluskota Family | 13. Edwin Garcia |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. The Sick |
| 7. Baby Cerina Skye | 15. Felipe Galvez |
| 8. The Deceased | 16. Norie Nieves |

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

September 17 & 18

Father James will preach at all Masses.

Saturday	4:00 pm	Fr Michael Kearney Dcn Buggy Sindac
Sunday	8:00 am	Fr Michael Kearney Dcn Doug McIlvaine
	10:00 am	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Tim Kueper
	12:00 pm	Fr Michael Kearney Dcn Phil Rehmer
	5:30 pm	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Tony Leazzo

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
Alfredo Chavez
Baby Riley Chick
Robert Ciulla
Michael Dandan
Mary Dunbar
Bridget Garry
Connie Hegg
Jim Hegg
Nancy Higgins
Jacob Hoefert
Eric Hoerdemann
Antoinette Humanski
Steve Johnson
Helen Joseph
Baby Penelope Keene
Patricia Kramer Daugherty
Kristen Manning
Susan Massett

Susan Mennenga
Bill Morse
La Moua
Charlene Oates
Ruth Olek
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/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
PO3 Joshua San Diego, US Navy
LT Daniel Moran, US Army

Noticias del P.I.T. (Párroco en Formación)



El primo hermano de mi papá es sacerdote de la Diócesis de Des Moines. El hermanastro de mi papá era un sacerdote Jesuita y profesor en la Universidad de Creighton. Mi tía abuela era una hermana de la Santísima Virgen María (BVM) y enseñaba en el área de Chicago. El primo hermano de mi mamá es un sacerdote franciscano en la Tierra Santa y fue párroco de la Iglesia de la Natividad y la Iglesia de la Anunciación en Nazaret. Si le preguntas a mi mamá,

podría enumerar primos aún más lejanos con vocaciones religiosas. Ni que decir, las vocaciones religiosas han estado presentes en mi familia. Sin embargo, puede que te sorprenda saber que mientras crecía, ¡la idea del sacerdocio nunca pasó por mi mente!

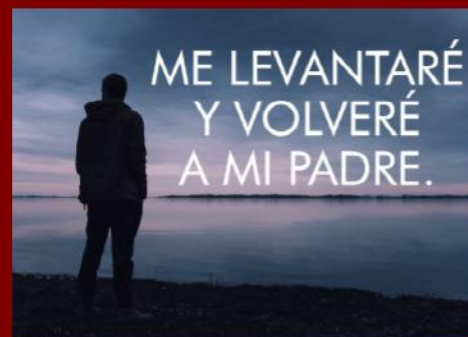
Ahora que soy mayor y puedo reflexionar, puedo ver señales de la invitación, pero en ese momento estaba completamente despistado del llamado del Señor. Se podría decir que crecí en la casa del Señor, la Iglesia; yendo a Misa los fines de semana y los Días de Obligación, pero desconocía el plan que el Señor tenía para mí.

Cada vez que escucho la historia del Hijo Pródigo, veo una lucha similar; ambos hijos no ven la invitación del padre. El primer hijo quería encontrar su identidad lejos de su padre, mientras que el hijo mayor pensó que solo necesitaba vivir bajo el techo de su padre. Pero el padre les estaba ofreciendo a ambos algo más que techo, comida y trabajo. Se estaba ofreciendo a sí mismo, su mismo corazón.

Creo que nosotros como Católicos seguimos perdiendo la invitación que nos hizo Nuestro Padre en el cielo a través de su Hijo. Somos conscientes personalmente de que muchos han dejado la fe como el hijo menor, pero ¿cuántos de nosotros en los bancos, o debería decir los que están en la silla del que preside, no somos conscientes de la invitación al corazón del Padre a través del regalo de su Hijo?

Algunos pueden pensar que el trabajo del pastor/sacerdote y de nuestros ministerios sería atraer gente a la Iglesia. Pero eso perdería el punto del Evangelio y la lección que necesita ser aprendida por el hijo mayor en la parábola. El objetivo del sacerdote y de nuestros ministerios en OLM es hacer que las personas tomen conciencia de la hermosa invitación que se les presenta. ¡La invitación al corazón de Dios! Estoy verdaderamente agradecido por todos los ministerios en nuestra parroquia que invitan a todos y cada uno de nosotros a entrar más profundamente en el corazón del Padre.

Padre Michael



Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo	Ex 32, 7-11. 13-14; Sal 50, 3-4. 12-13. 17 y 19; 1 Tm 1, 12-17; Lc 15, 1-32 o Lc 15, 1-10
Lunes	1 Cor 11, 17-26; Sal 39, 7-8a. 8b-9. 10. 17; Lc 7, 1-10
Martes	1 Cor 12, 12-14. 27-31; Sal 99, 2. 3. 4. 5; Lc 7, 11-17
Miércoles	Nm 21, 4-9; Sal 77, 1-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38; Flp 2, 6-11; Jn 3, 13-17
Jueves	1 Cor 15, 1-11; Sal 117, 1-2. 16ab-17. 28; Jn 19, 25-27 o Lc 2, 33-35
Viernes	1 Cor 15, 12-20; Sal 16, 1. 6-7. 8b y 15; Lc 8, 1-3
Sábado	1 Cor 15, 35-37. 42-49; Sal 55, 10. 11-12. 13-14; Lc 8, 4-15
Domingo	Am 8, 4-7; Sal 112, 1-2. 4-6. 7-8; 1 Tm 2, 1-8; Lc 16, 1-13 o Lc 16, 10-13

September 11, 2022

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14 | 1 Tm 1:12-17 | Lk 15:1-32
or Lk 15:1-10

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

I think I lose more things than the average person. Car keys. That magic security card that gets me into my office. My son's birth certificate (the night before the driver's test). And my wedding ring, more often than I care to admit. I can't rest until I find them. Oh, the elation when the missing item turns up! So this is one parable I think I "get." Of course, these items pale in comparison to our value as human beings – sons and daughters of God. Even – or perhaps especially – us sinners. As Jesus tells us, "There will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents." What good news for all of us! Rather than wallow in our failures or close ourselves off to God, we are challenged to follow Paul's example and turn to God for our strength – we can turn to him knowing we are loved, valued, and cherished.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I confess I sometimes feel unworthy to become very active in my parish. I've made more mistakes than I can count; so, no, I'll pass on volunteering to be a lector or a catechist. That's a job for the "good Catholics." As we see time and again in Scripture, ours is a Church of sinners. As was the case with Paul, "once a blasphemer and a persecutor and arrogant," the Lord has mercy upon us, and his grace is abundant. Just as he considered Paul trustworthy to lead the Church, he trusts us; we need only trust ourselves. Gaining our strength from God, we can share our gifts through ministry and service. What's more, we can actively reach out to those on the fringes of our parish or those who have left the Church feeling as though they don't belong. Jesus reminds us that all are welcome at his table.

ENGAGE At Sunday Mass, make a point of welcoming newcomers and strangers with a smile or greeting. Consider getting involved in a parish ministry.

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Pastoral Care

St. Peregrine Prayer Service & Ministry

All are invited to attend the St. Peregrine Prayer Service on Tuesday, September 20 in the church after the 6:30pm Mass with Deacon Tony Leazzo. 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 need or intentions. St. Peregrine, pray for us!

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, September 26 from 11:00am to 1:00pm in the Ministry Room located in the church. There is no registration. Father Michael Kearney, our pastor will be with us to answer our questions about how grief impacts our faith and living a life of hope.

If you have lost your spouse and would like to join a weekly support group, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Parish Nurse and Director of Pastoral Cre at 331-707-5380.

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 next gathering is on Monday, September 26 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in Room 218 in the Parish Life Center. Father Michael Kearney, our pastor will be joining us for our discussion and self-care activity.

If you would like to be put on the ministry email list so that you may receive information 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 olmopen-hearts@yahoo.com.

September is National Food Safety Education Month

According to the CDC, it is estimated that every year one in six Americans or 48 million people get sick from eating contaminated food. Foodborne illness is caused by organisms that we cannot see, smell or taste. Even though the U.S. food supply is among the safest in the world, we need to be aware of foodborne illness. The most common foodborne pathogens known to cause the most number of illnesses as recognized by the CDC are *Salmonella*, *Campylobacter*, *E. coli* and Norovirus.

One important way to reduce the risk of foodborne illness is: Don't wash your chicken. By washing or rinsing raw chicken harmful bacteria can be spread around the kitchen. The harmful bacteria is not removed by rinsing or washing – anything that is in the chicken will get cooked off. Use a clean paper towel to remove anything you see on raw chicken and throw away the towel. Raw chicken and juices should touch as few things as possible. Clean surfaces with hot, soapy water.

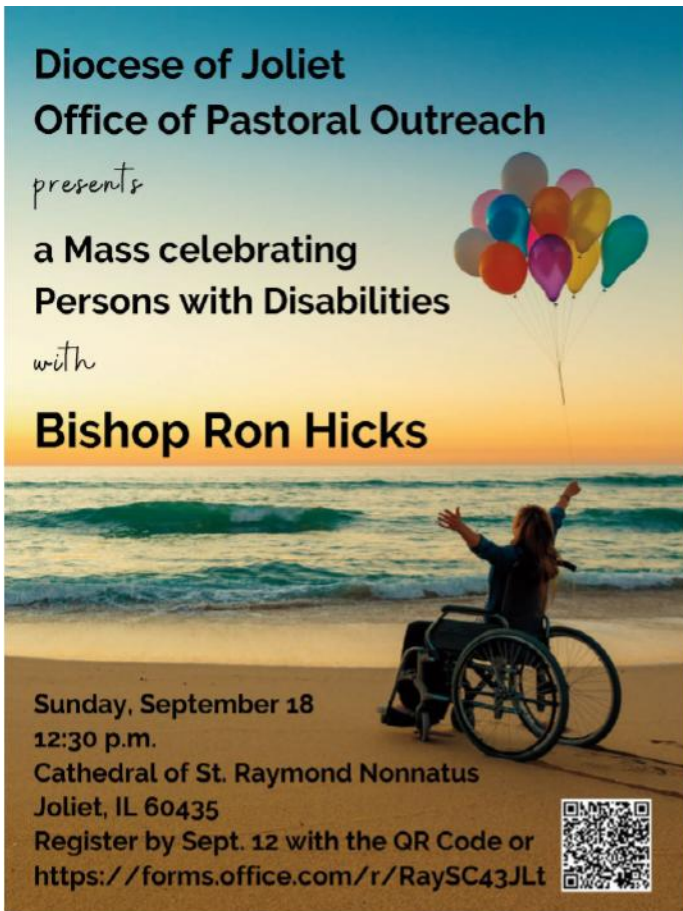
There are *Core Four Practices* to reduce the risk of foodborne illness. *Practice One: Clean.* Wash hands and surfaces often. *Practice Two: Separate.* Don't cross-contaminate as that is how bacteria is spread. Separate raw meat, poultry, seafood and eggs from other foods. Use one cutting board for fresh produce and a separate one for raw meat, poultry, and seafood. *Practice Three: Cook.* Cook food to the internal temperature recommended to kill harmful bacteria that causes foodborne illness. Cook roasts, steak, and fish to a minimum of 145 degrees Fahrenheit. All poultry should be cooked to 165 degrees.

Practice Four: Chill. Refrigerate foods at 40 degrees Fahrenheit. Never let raw meat, poultry, eggs, cooked food or cut fresh fruits or vegetables sit at room temperature more than two hours before putting them in the refrigerator or freezer (one hour when the temperature is above 90 degrees Fahrenheit). For more detailed information on food safety go to Partnership for Food Safety Education at www.fightbac.org.


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 or at jolene@olmercy.com or at 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!

Diocese of Joliet
Office of Pastoral Outreach
 presents
 a Mass celebrating
Persons with Disabilities
 with
Bishop Ron Hicks



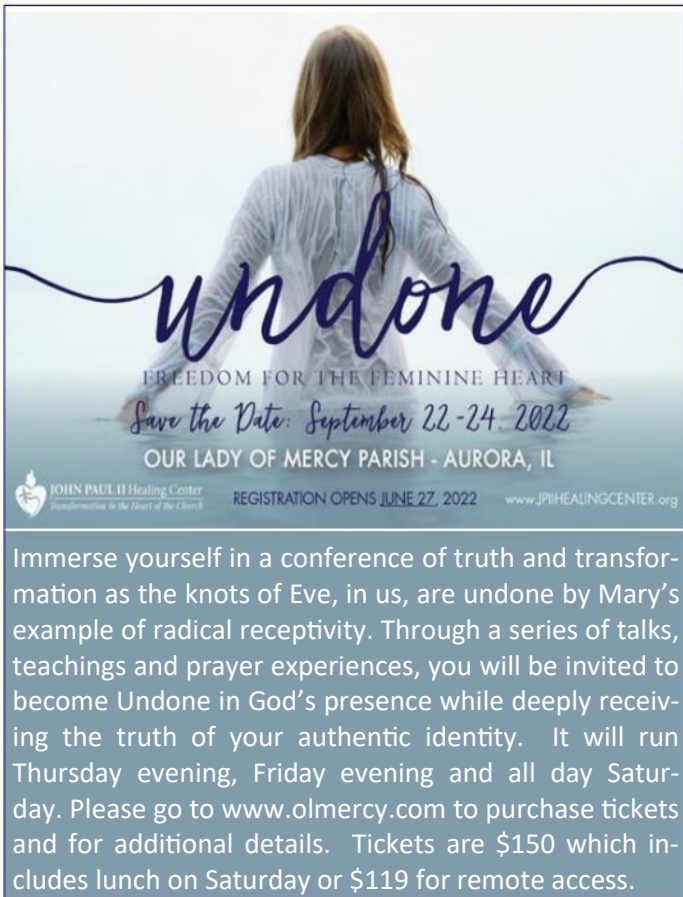
Sunday, September 18
12:30 p.m.
Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus
Joliet, IL 60435
 Register by Sept. 12 with the QR Code or
<https://forms.office.com/r/RaySC43JLt>




I run on
donuts
 and
Jesus



**Join us for donuts and coffee,
 and stay a while for great
 fellowship after the 8am
 and 10am masses on
 Sunday October 9,
 in the PLC Gym**



undone
 FREEDOM FOR THE FEMININE HEART
Save the Date: September 22-24, 2022
 OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH - AURORA, IL

 **JOHN PAUL II Healing Center**
 Transformation in the Heart of the Church

REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 22, 2022 www.JPIIHEALINGCENTER.org

Immerse yourself in a conference of truth and transformation as the knots of Eve, in us, are undone by Mary's example of radical receptivity. Through a series of talks, teachings and prayer experiences, you will be invited to become Undone in God's presence while deeply receiving the truth of your authentic identity. It will run Thursday evening, Friday evening and all day Saturday. Please go to www.olmercy.com to purchase tickets and for additional details. Tickets are \$150 which includes lunch on Saturday or \$119 for remote access.

LOVE TO SING?
Join the Choir!

Wednesday evenings beginning
 September 7th in Room 119.

YOUTH CHOIR

Grades 3 - 8 meets from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm

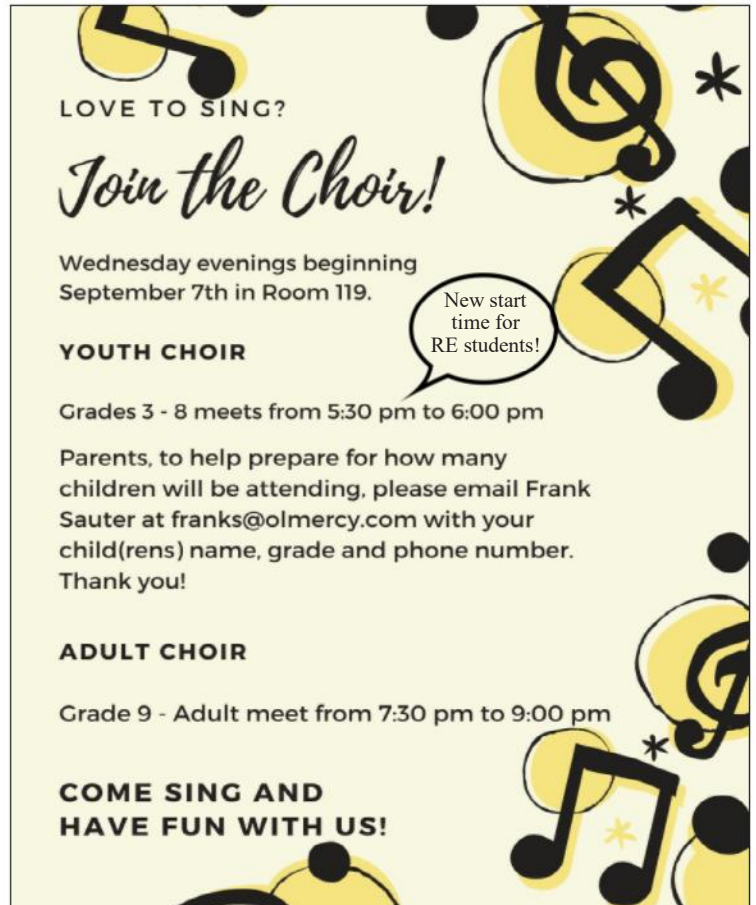
Parents, to help prepare for how many children will be attending, please email Frank Sauter at franks@olmercy.com with your child(rens) name, grade and phone number. Thank you!

ADULT CHOIR

Grade 9 - Adult meet from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm

**COME SING AND
 HAVE FUN WITH US!**

New start time for RE students!





Knights News:

Knights of Columbus Council 12005
Our Lady of Mercy

Blood Drive: We were able to collect 11 units of blood at our last drive on 8/6! Thanks to all who came and gave so others can live – you saved 33 lives! Our next drive will be Saturday November 12th from 8 – 12.

Mobile Food Pantry: We served 160 families at our July pantry and 145 families this past Wednesday. Thanks to all who volunteered. Our next pantry will be 9/28 and will start at 4:00 if you would like to help.

2022 Scholarship Awards: Congratulations to David Colobong, Christopher Miserendino, Zoe Griffins, Matthew Sindac and Elliot Gallegos our 2022 Scholarship winners. We wish them much success in their college careers.

Pancake Breakfast: We were able to raise \$700 and purchased 36 winter coats to be donated to Catholic Charities of Joliet at our 7/24 breakfast. Thank you to all who came and donated to this great cause. Our next breakfast will be Sunday October 9th with profits benefiting Waterleaf.

Vacation Bible School: A donation of \$500 was made to purchase back packs that were assembled during the recent vacation bible school program.

Intellectual Disabilities Drive: Look for your Knights Council Members on the Street Corners of Eola/New York and Eola/Ogden on Saturday 9/17 as we collect funds for those with Intellectual Disabilities during our annual “Toosie Roll” Drive. Funds that are collected are contributed to local charities and support Special Olympics. We will also be collecting after all Masses that weekend.

Thinking of becoming a Knight? You can join for free between now and the end of the year. Membership is open to all practicing Catholic men aged 18 and up, it will only take 30 minutes of your time and you can become part of the largest Catholic Men’s service organization in the world. We need you to help us make a difference! For information reach out to Jeff LeRoy, Grand Knight, at jleroy53@hotmail.com or call 630-336-7728.

Around the Parish

Family Faith Formation

Registration for Religious Education, EDGE and LIGHT is now open. Parents of children K thru 12, we look forward to growing in faith with you and your children. Visit the website at www.olmercy.com and click on the Formation tab. For questions regarding grades K—5 contact Mary Jo Trapani at 331-707-5378. For questions about grades 6—12 contact Dave Miserendino at 331-707-5371.

Save the Date—An Hour with Jesus

During the first week in October Eucharistic Adoration days and hours will be extended. We will begin and end this special week of adoration with Mass. Our opening Mass will be First Saturday, October 1st during the 4 pm Vigil Mass and the closing Mass will be First Friday, October 7th during the 12:00 pm Noon Mass. More details on the exact Eucharistic Adoration schedule will follow as we get closer to the date. If you have any questions please contact Shirley Staples at 630-815-5799. Encounter Jesus in Adoration; which day and hour will you sign up for? *“When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.”—Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

Parish Office Hours

Beginning September 1st the Parish Office will close for lunch from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm Monday through Thursday. The Parish Office will continue to open at 8:30 am and close at 4:00 pm Monday through Thursday and 8:30 am to 1:00 pm on Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration

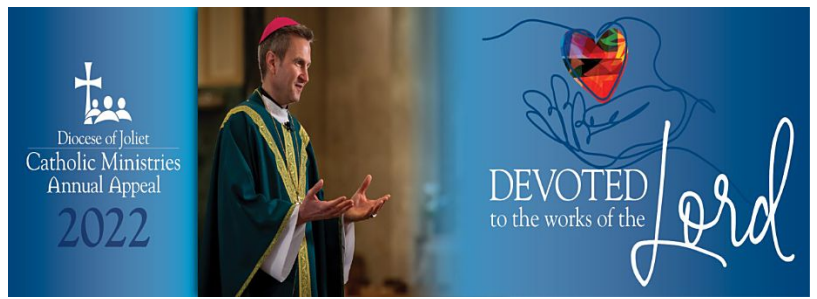
Due to a change in the cleaning schedule of the church, Monday Eucharistic Adoration will be held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Becoming Catholic (O.C.I.A.)

Are you curious about becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic but haven’t yet received all your sacraments? O.C.I.A., the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, is the amazing journey of entering into the fullness of the Catholic faith. We will help you to learn, grow, find community, and prepare for the fullness of life that God desires for us all!

Even if you’re unsure with where you’re at regarding becoming Catholic or receiving all your sacraments, please visit our website at www.olmercy.com, under Becoming Catholic. You are also welcome to reach out to Fr. James at frjames@olmercy.com

Parish Sacrificial Giving		
Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	261,147
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	275,400
Amount Short of Budget	\$	(14,253)
08/28/22 Sunday Collection	\$	25,662
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	30,600
Amount Short of Goal	\$	(4,938)
<i>For the Budget Year 2022/23 we have Increased the Parish Sunday goal by 2%, to \$30,600/week, to help expand our various Ministries.</i>		
Thank you for your generosity!!		
<i>Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Parish in your will and estate planning.</i>		



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	\$ 169,617
Amount Paid	\$ 141,314
Remaining Balance	\$ 28,303
Rebate Amount	\$ 0
# of Families Pledged	507

Parish Life Center (Construction Loan)		
April, 2009	\$	1,950,000
June, 2022	\$	491,712
July, 2022	\$	468,359

Here at Our Lady of Mercy our Vision is to offer every person a life-changing encounter with Jesus, grow disciples, and send them on mission.

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 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.

Look for this icon



DON'T GET SCAMMED BY

FAKE FATHERS

SCAM ALERT

Father Michael and Father James DO NOT send texts or emails asking for money or gift cards. If you receive a message appearing to be from Father Michael or Father James, please discard it and

DO NOT SEND ANY ELECTRONIC MONETARY AID.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

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www.olmercy.com

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. 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. Michael Kearney
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Permanent Deacons

Dcn Tim Kueper tkueper5@yahoo.com

Dcn Tony Leazzo tonyl@olmercy.com

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