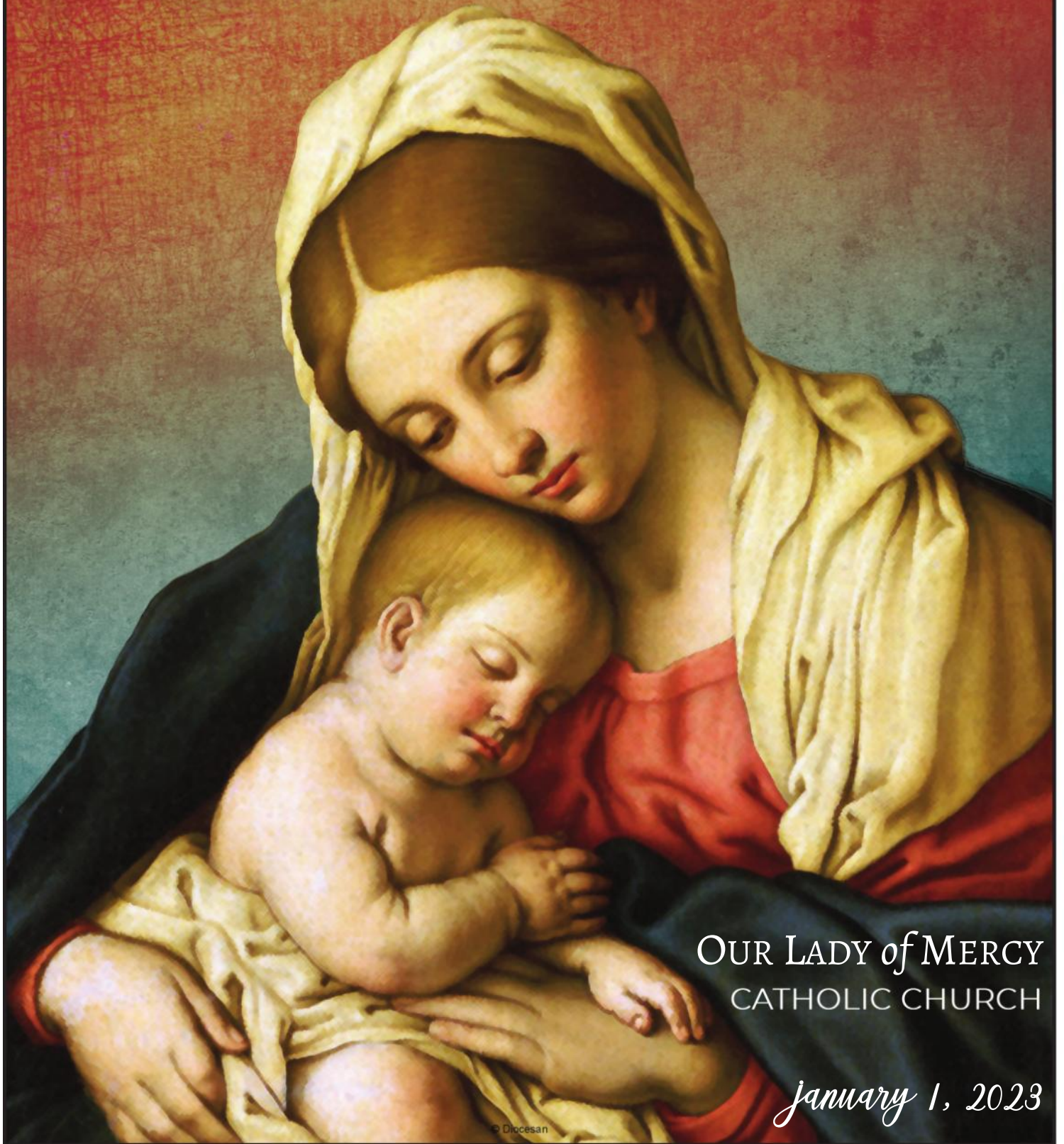


SOLEMNITY OF
Mary MOTHER OF GOD

She is exalted, yet still one of us.



OUR LADY OF MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 1, 2023

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



Calling Mary the “Mother of God” is a simple syllogism: Mary is the Mother of Jesus. Jesus is God. Therefore, Mary is the mother of God. Logic!! Now, speaking of logic, this isn’t to say that Mary is somehow temporally before God, nor that she created God. Mary was not the mother of Jesus’ divine nature, but rather His human nature. God is *outside* of time and space (He created space-time!). Still, she wasn’t just the mother of

Jesus’ human nature, she was the mother of Jesus Himself—the divine *person*! Jesus’ two natures were perfectly and uniquely united in His person. Hence, whatever we can truthfully say about Jesus, we can truthfully say about God.

So, for instance, we can rightly say that God suffered our death on the cross; God became incarnate; God wept at the death of his friend Lazarus; God Himself saved us; and so on.

This is important not only because of what it teaches us about God’s tenderness, humility, and closeness, but also because it preserves a correct understanding of the central figure of our faith: Jesus! Jesus was both *fully God* and *fully man*, and what we say about Mary helps to make this clear.

We thus have no problem focusing an entire solemnity on a specific title of Mary. Mary always helps us to understand her Son.

In case we are still unconvinced, though, just look at Elizabeth. Elizabeth, “filled with the Holy Spirit” exclaimed, “Why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” (Luke 1:41-42) Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Elizabeth didn’t exclaim, “That my *Lord* should come to me!” but, “That the *mother* of my Lord!” Clearly the Holy Spirit—aka God—has no qualms about guiding His people to get excited about Mary...and not only to get excited, but also to specifically call Mary the mother of my “*Kyriou*”, the mother of my divine Lord. It doesn’t get much clearer than that, so enjoy kicking off the new year just as the Holy Spirit would want you to, by celebrating Mary the Mother of our God!

Father James



Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, January 2 - Sts Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen

- 8:00 am Int Joyce Gallagher, by Jeannine Malone
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction
- 6:30 pm † Octavio Loera
(Spanish Mass)

Tuesday, January 3 - Most Holy Name of Jesus

- 8:00 am † Genevieve Leake, by Jennifer & Family
- 6:30 pm † Marjorie Pellerin Poche, by Janice Hurtado
- 7:00 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Wednesday, January 4 - St Elizabeth Ann Seton

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00 pm † Thomas Moore, by Paluch & Budny Families
- 12:30 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Thursday, January 5 - St John Neumann, Bishop

- 6:30 am † Anthony Mendoza, by Maria Ocana
- 8:00 am † James Weber, by The Weber Family
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction

Friday, January 6 - St Andre Bessette, Religious

- 8:00 am † Frank Fassl, by Willie Durante
- 12:00 pm The Velasco Family

Saturday, January 7 - St Raymond of Penafort, Priest

- 8:30 am † Benedicto Dagang, by Family
- 9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)
- 1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)
- 4:00 pm **Vigil - The Epiphany of the Lord**
† James W Ray & James W Ray, Jr
By Helean Ray

Sunday, January 8 - The Epiphany of the Lord

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† Virginia Sillasen, by Jolene & Jeff LeRoy
- 10:00 am † Patricia Feeley, by Mary & Luke
(Live Streamed)
- 12:00 pm The People of Our Lady of Mercy
- 5:30 pm † Edward & Ida D’Silva, by Maybird D’Silva



Blessed Sacrament Chapel Lamps

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

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| 1. Fr Don McLaughlin | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. Margaret Rochard | 10. Pierson Radek |
| 3. Pray for Ukraine | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Alice Toschak | 12. The Sick |
| 5. The Pluskota Family | 13. ZTEL Happy & Healthy '23 |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. MRM Happy & Healthy '23 |
| 7. OLM Clergy | 15. JPJP Happy & Healthy '23 |
| 8. The Deceased | 16. AP & Family Happy & Healthy '23 |

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

January 7 & 8

Father Michael will preach at all Masses.

Saturday	4:00 pm	Fr Michael Kearney Dcn Tony Martini
Sunday	8:00 am	Fr James Guarascio TBD
	10:00 am	Fr Michael Kearney Dcn Doug McIlvaine
	12:00 pm	Fr James Guarascio Dcn Art Tiongson
	5:30 pm	Fr Michael Kearney TBD

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
Alfredo Chavez
Baby Riley Chick
Robert Ciulla
Michael Dandan
Mary Dunbar
Bridget Garry
Connie Hegg
Jim Hegg
Nancy Higgins
Eric Hoerdemann
Cera Horste
Antoinette Humanski
Steve Johnson
Helen Joseph
Baby Penelope Keene
Kristen Manning
Susan Massett
Rev. Don McLaughlin
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
Bernice Tokarski
Kathy Walowski
Judy Wiltgen

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. (Sacerdote en formación)



Llamar a María la “Madre de Dios” es un simple silogismo: María es la Madre de Jesús. Jesús es Dios. Por lo tanto, María es la madre de Dios. ¡¡Lógico!! Ahora, hablando de lógica, esto no quiere decir que María esté de alguna manera temporalmente ante Dios, ni que ella haya creado a Dios. María no fue la madre de la naturaleza divina de Jesús, sino su naturaleza humana. Dios está *fuera* del tiempo y del espacio (¡Él creó el espacio-tiempo!). Aún así, ella no era

solo la madre de la naturaleza humana de Jesús, ella era la madre de Jesús Mismo, ¡la *persona* divina! Las dos naturalezas de Jesús estaban perfecta y únicamente unidas en Su persona. Por lo tanto, cualquier cosa que podamos decir con verdad acerca de Jesús, podemos decir con verdad acerca de Dios.

Entonces, por ejemplo, podemos decir correctamente que Dios sufrió nuestra muerte en la cruz; Dios se encarnó; Dios lloró por la muerte de su amigo Lázaro; Dios Mismo nos salvó; etcétera. Esto es importante no solo por lo que nos enseña sobre la ternura, la humildad y la cercanía de Dios, sino también porque preservaba una correcta comprensión de la figura central de nuestra fe: ¡Jesús! Jesús era *completamente Dios y completamente hombre*, y lo que decimos sobre María ayuda a aclarar esto.

No tenemos pues ningún problema en centrar toda una solemnidad en un título específico de María. María siempre nos ayuda a comprender a su Hijo.

Sin embargo, en caso de que aún no estemos convencidos, solo miren a Isabel. Isabel, “llena del Espíritu Santo” exclamó: “¿Por qué se me concede esto a mí, que la madre de mi Señor venga a mí?” (Lucas 1:41-42) Bajo la guía del Espíritu Santo, Isabel no exclamó: “¡Que mi Señor venga a mí!” sino, “¡Que la *madre* de mi Señor!” Claramente el Espíritu Santo—también conocido como Dios—no tiene reparos en guiar a Su pueblo a emocionarse con María... y no solo a emocionarse, sino también a llamar específicamente a María la madre de mi “*Kyriou*”, la madre de mi divino Señor. No hay nada más claro que eso, así que disfruten de comenzar el nuevo año tal como el Espíritu Santo quiere que lo hagan, ¡celebrando a María, la Madre de nuestro Dios!

Padre James



Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo	Nm 6, 22-27; Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 6. 8; Gal 4, 4-7; Lc 2, 16-21
Lunes	1 Jn 2, 22-28; Sal 97, 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4; Jn 1, 19-28
Martes	1 Jn 2, 29—3, 6; Sal 97, 1. 3cd-4. 5-6; Jn 1, 29-34
Miércoles	1 Jn 3, 7-10; Sal 97, 1. 7-8. 9; Jn 1, 35-42
Jueves	1 Jn 3, 11-21; Sal 99, 2. 3. 4. 5; Jn 1, 43-51
Viernes	1 Jn 5, 5-13; Sal 147, 12-13. 14-15. 19-20; Mc 1, 7-11 o Lc 3, 23-38 o Lc 3, 23. 31-34. 36. 38
Sábado	1 Jn 5, 14-21; Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6a y 9b; Jn 2, 1-11
Domingo	Is 60, 1-6 ; Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 10-11. 12-13; Ef 3, 2-3a. 5-6; Mt 2, 1-12



January 1, 2023

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Nm 6:22-27 | Gal 4:4-7 | Lk 2:16-21

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

Today's readings remind us of the central role Mary plays in the story of Jesus and the story of our salvation. We may be tempted to place her on a pedestal - as well we should - she is the Mother of God! At the same time, today's Gospel reminds us she is not divine herself, but human - and she bore the incarnate flesh of the Son of God in his divine and human nature. She went through the sleepless nights and the uncertainties of parenting in all its stages. She learned early on what it takes many of us a lifetime to learn - often in fits and starts - absolute trust in God. As we celebrate this solemnity, we can bring our uncertainties, fears, and struggles to Mary our mother, asking for the grace to follow her faithful example.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Of course there's nothing wrong with New Year's resolutions, and I always admire people who have thought about them in advance. Me? I'm often tongue-tied on January 1 when someone asks me what my resolutions are (hmm ... maybe I should think about kicking that procrastination habit in 2023?) This is why Mary's reaction to the visit of the shepherds strikes me so profoundly. The shepherds pay homage to Jesus and spread the word that God's Son has been born. Mary, Luke writes, "kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." As we move into a new year, so rich with possibility, we might follow Mary's example and reflect before jumping headlong into this or that goal or New Year's resolution. Instead, perhaps we can take the day - or a week or a month - to prayerfully reflect on how we can best put our faith in Jesus into action. How can we witness to our faith in our daily lives? What changes might help us do that? We can ask God to help us draw up a list of ways that we can be more faithful to him.

PRAY Pray the Hail Mary, reflecting on each line with gratitude. If you have more time, give yourself a "mini-retreat" by reading or reflecting on a book or devotional about Mary.

Pastoral Care

Happy New Year! Be at Peace!

With the beginning of 2023, take some time to reflect on the meaning of peace in your life and in the world. We are living in a time when we may ask what does it mean to be at peace? We may be fearful as to what is going on around us and not have a sense of peace. Peace may be defined as having no conflict. Peace of mind or inner peace is a state of being mentally, emotionally and spiritually at peace. It is keeping the mind at peace regardless of external circumstances.

Consider the following ways to help nurture peace within you. Take time to be quiet as it is in the silence that God speaks. Think about what you have done in the past few days to promote and practice peace. Renew what you must change in order to answer Jesus' call to be a peacemaker. Reflect on your relationships and think what you can do to improve or strengthen them. Be an active participant in your Catholic faith – grow closer in your relationship with God and serve others. Pray that peace may reign in everyone and everywhere in the world. Practice gratitude, be patient, forgive, care for others.

As Catholics, we can think about making spiritual resolutions at the beginning of the new year. A few ideas to consider are: increase your Marian devotion asking the Blessed Mother to lead you to deeper conversion or enriched faith in Jesus; set aside time to walk with God in spiritual reading such as classics written by Catholic saints such as Teresa of Avila, Francis de Sales, Therese of Lisieux or John of the Cross; practice good stewardship over the gifts that God has given you; share your Catholic faith with others through your

words, actions and attitude; go to Adoration; go to Mass an extra day during the week; pray the rosary; pick a new saint to learn about, and entrust your year to their special intercession. There is no time like the present to grow closer to the Lord.

A Christian describes true peace as coming from being in the presence of God. It is knowing that our lives are in God's hands. If we trust God – he will take care of us even through illness, suffering, pain or loss. In scripture, Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." (John 14:27)

Wishing you a Blessed and Happy New Year filled with the peace and joy of the Lord!

Grief Support Sessions in January

Weekly grief support sessions will begin at the end of January offered for widows and widowers. If you would like more information or would like to register to attend, please contact Jolene LeRoy, Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or at jolene@olmercy.com. Look to your faith community for support and understanding during your experience of grief and loss.

Healing Hearts Ministry

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual support or resources for mental and emotional health and wellness, please contact Janice Hurtado Aeppli at olmopenhearts@yahoo.com. The Healing Hearts Ministry educates and supports those with mental health and emotional challenges through hope, empathy, awareness, renewal, trust and support.

The Upper Room Crisis Hot-

line is a faith-based hotline in the Catholic tradition at 1-888-808-8724. The website for the hotline is www.catholic hotline.org. The Suicide and Crisis Lifeline is 988 and provides 24/7, free and confidential support for anyone who is suicidal, depressed or overwhelmed. Lifeline counselors are available who want to help and support those in need.

Prayer for the New Year
(www.appleseeds.org)

Give us the kindness to hear with compassion, to offer support, loving comfort and care.

Give us courage to do what is needed, the wisdom to choose what is right and fair.

Give us the vision to see what is possible.

Give us the faith that will help pave the way for a present that is hopeful, a future that is peaceful –

Give us a heart to bring joy each day.

Pastoral Care

If you have emotional or spiritual health concerns or are unable to come to Mass and would like a trained Minister of Care to bring Holy Communion to your home, please contact Jolene LeRoy, Pastoral Care for resources and support at jolene@olmercy.com or at 331-707-5380.



**CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH
RENEWAL WEEKEND**

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**Men's Weekend
Feb 25 - Feb 26**
Jeff Daley
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jeffdaley83@gmail.com

**Women's Weekend
Mar 4 - Mar 5**
Women's Contact
Ida Phillips @ (630) 605-6038
crhpalm@gmail.com

Or email us at CRHPOLM@GMAIL.COM

Registration starts January 2023

SCAN ME



**Knights of
Columbus**


**Pancake
Breakfast**

Sunday, January 15
8:00 am to Noon
In the Multi-Purpose Room

Tickets sold at the door
Adults: \$6.00
Children: \$3.00 (12 and under)
Children under 3 no charge

Menu:
Pancakes
Eggs
Sausage
Fruit Cup
Coffee, Tea & Juice

Profits will support:
Teen Mission Trip



• This free event is open to all girls and boys aged 9 – 14 years old, prior to January 1, 2023.

• Winners will earn the opportunity to advance to a District Level competition.

• All you need to bring is proof of age and a parent or guardian to sign a consent form.

• 6:45 pm In person registration opens.

• Call 630-957-7559 for additional information.


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**FREE THROW
CONTEST**

**January 19
7:00 pm
Gym**



**NATIONAL
BLOOD
DONOR
MONTH**



**Saturday
January
7**

8:00am - 12:00pm

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #12005
COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE**

Located at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Catholic Church in Rooms 114 & 110, 701 S Eola Rd, Aurora



Appointments appreciated; walk-ins welcome!

To schedule, go to www.versiti.org/IL, load the Versiti Donor app, call (800) 7TO-GIVE, or scan the QR code below.

EVERY DONOR WILL SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!

Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.
Photo ID is required.

Call (630) 723-2589 with eligibility questions.

Around the Parish

Swing in the New Year!

What is Going on January 6th? Matt Mordini from Theology of Dance will teach a swing dance lesson and then he will be spinning a fun mix of tunes, including plenty of Christmas Favorites! There will be light refreshments on hand so you can dance the night away. Dress festive but casual!

Dance for a good cause! The ticket proceeds will go towards the charitable organization "Friends of Inharrime". They work to improve the lives of children and families in Mozambique through projects in education, nutrition, and health such as paying children's school fees, daily lunch, and medical costs, and, with a local hospital, they provide nutrition and medical support for malnourished infants. Find out more about them here <https://www.friendsofinharrime.org/>

When: Friday, January 6th

Timeline: Arrival Time. 6:45pm | Swing Dance Lesson 7pm | Social Dancing 7:30pm

Cost: \$7 for ages 18 - 25 | \$10 for ages 26 and older

Purchase Tickets: <https://olmercy.com/ConsumingFire/> (you can also pay at the door)

Respect Life

You are invited to join us Friday, January 6, 2023

to stand and silently pray in the public right-of-way across from the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Aurora. Prayer warriors are needed for one hour shifts 7 am - 4 pm to change hearts and save lives. Please prayerfully consider signing up via <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054FADAC23A3FA7-olmfirst2> or call Lisa at (630) 236-3310. Please spread the word to your family, friends and ministry. Prayer is our most powerful weapon in this battle for life!

PADS/Hesed House

The OLM PADS/Hesed House Board is now on display in the Atrium (Door B Entrance). The board contains a "wishlist" of items used to prepare meals for 235 guests at the Hesed House homeless shelter, on the first Tuesday of each month. Drop-off for all items are before all Masses on the weekend of December 31st and January 1st. Monetary donations can be made via the OLM Online Giving Portal (please specify donation is for Hesed House), or make checks payable to Our Lady of Mercy Church, and write on the memo "Hesed House-PADS". Thank you for supporting our mission of mercy.

Thinking of becoming a Knight?

We will be holding an information meeting on Sunday 1/29 after the 10:00am Mass in room 114 to explain who the Knights of Columbus are and how to become a member. We will show a short video and provide refreshments. Interested practicing Catholic Men and their families are invited to join us. 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.

Scam Emails

From time to time, there are phishing (SCAM) emails going out to members of the parish and staff claiming to be Father Michael. Please note that 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.



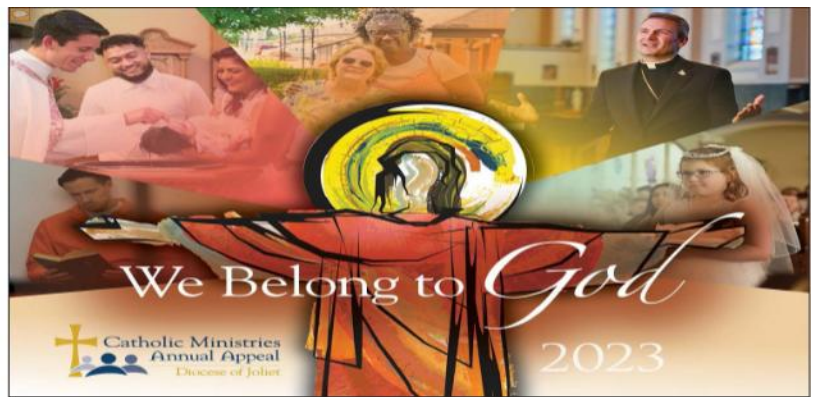
Parish Sacrificial Giving

Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	710,766
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	734,400
Amount Short of Budget	\$	(23,634)
12/18/22 Sunday Collection	\$	34,708
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	30,600
Amount in Excess of Goal	\$	4,108

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.

Thank you for your generosity!!

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



The 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is now underway. As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are asking all parishioners to pledge their support to this important effort for our community of faith.

This year's CMAA theme is *We Belong to God*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we help the poor and vulnerable, increase vocations and educate people of all ages, ethnicities, and abilities in the faith. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own.

Our parish's goal for the 2023 CMAA is \$141,900 and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

Parish Life Center (Construction Loan)

April, 2009	\$	1,950,000
October, 2022	\$	445,954
November, 2022	\$	433,954

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.

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Meals as listed in the itinerary, First Class Hotels & ground transport.

AGE REQUIREMENTS: 18 - 39
(must be 18 by July 1, 2023)

For information or to make a reservation contact:
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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.

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