

OUR LADY of MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Feast of Our Lady of Mercy



September 24, 2023

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



When I was about three years old, I was on vacation with my parents and grandparents, and we stopped at a McDonald's. I was excited to explore the Play Place, so I decided to climb to one of the highest points, where there was a tunnel that crossed the entire Play Place. When I got to this tunnel, I looked out the window down at where my parents and grandparents were sitting, and I was too scared to move on. My mom saw this, so without thinking, she went into the Play

Place, climbed all the way up to where I was frozen in fear, and brought me down safely to the ground. My grandparents would often tell me that story, reminding me, "Your mom climbed into the Play Place to get you."

Today we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy, the patronal feast of our parish. But what is mercy? Mercy is love when it comes in contact with evil. In the Old Testament, one of the words for mercy is *rahamim*. It refers to those strong feelings of tenderness and compassion that a mother has for her child.

This is also the kind of mercy that God has for us. When He sees us sunk in the misery of sin, He is not distant from us, but like my mom climbing into the Play Place, He rushes to rescue us. And He doesn't just rescue us by sending someone else to take care of it, but He Himself becomes man and suffers and dies for us so that we can be with Him forever in Heaven.

At this moment of Redemption, Jesus gave us His mother to be our mother also. Just as Mary gave her "yes" to God at the Annunciation, she also gives her "yes" at the Foot of the Cross to God's loving plan of salvation even though it means the death of her Son, showing mercy to the entire human race. And this "yes" does not end there, but she continues to show this mercy to all her children who call on her. The mercy she shows to us always paves the way for us to receive God's mercy.

But for many of us, it can be very difficult to receive mercy because we feel unworthy, or because it is difficult to face our sins. But in spite of this, we need to be open to receive God's mercy like little children because without it, we are helpless. A child does not do anything to earn the love of his or her parents, but simply receives it as a free gift. In the same way, we need to recognize our need for God's mercy, to accept that mercy for the free gift that it is, and to thank God for it. Like my grandparents who reminded me that my mom climbed into the Play Place to get me, we can sing with Mary, "The Lord's mercy is from age to age."

Father Frank



Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, September 25 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Stanley & Sophie Kerkla, by Carolyn Kerkla
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction
- 6:30 pm † Roger Galve, by Hansel Roxas & Family
(Spanish Mass)

Tuesday, September 26 - Sts Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs

- 8:00 am † Christine Holbrook, by Family
- 6:30 pm † Thelma & Nicasio Sereno, by Family
- 7:00 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Wednesday, September 27 - St Vincent de Paul, Priest

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00 pm † Lindsay Willis, by The Richardsons
- 12:30 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Thursday, September 28 - St Wenceslaus, Martyr

- 6:30 am † Andy Biag, by Friend
- 8:00 am † Gay Concha, by Edgar & Maria Cuartero
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction

Friday, September 29 - Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

- 8:00 am † Amerina Pieri, by Ida Phillips

Saturday, September 30 - St Jerome, Priest & Doctor

- 8:30 am † Col. Anthony Klasinski
- 9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)
- 1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)
- 4:00 pm **Vigil - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Int of the People of Our Lady of Mercy
† Cleona Weiser, by Family

Sunday, October 1 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† Lolita Raiz, by Phillis Anderson
- 10:00 am † Rose Christine Sincora, by Family
(Live Streamed)
- 12:00 pm In Thanksgiving
- 5:30 pm † Teodora Fagaragan, 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. Anthony M. Loquercio, Jr. | 9. Fr Don McLaughlin |
| 2. Gary R. Ramsey | 10. Good Health |
| 3. Special Intention-K.S. | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Good Health for Mike M. | 12. The Sick |
| 5. The Pluskota Family | 13. Louise-Special Intention |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. The Lonely |
| 7. Baby Cerina Skye | 15. Those with Cancer |
| 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

September 30 & October 1

Father Michael will preach at all Masses.

Saturday	4:00 pm	Fr Michael Kearney
Sunday	8:00 am	Fr Frank Pusateri
	10:00 am	Fr Michael Kearney
	12:00 pm	Fr Frank Pusateri
	5:30 pm	Fr Michael Kearney

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
Patricia Gebhardt
Jim Gray
David Griffins
Nancy Higgins
Eric Hoerdemann
Cera Horste
Steve Johnson
Helen Joseph
Baby Penelope Keene
Michelle Maeirs
Kristen Manning
Susan Massett
Susan Mennenga

Bill Morse
La Moua
Richard Muszynski
Charlene Oates
Flo Paprzycki
Diane Pazos
Valerie Plesha
Jim & Carol Pluskota
Diane Reiter
Jackie Schiable
Julia Schremp
Christopher Shea
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
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)



Cuando tenía unos tres años, yo estaba de vacaciones con mis padres y mis abuelos y paramos en un McDonald's. Tenía muchas ganas de explorar el Lugar de Juegos, así que decidí subir a uno de los puntos más altos, donde había un túnel que cruzaba todo Lugar de Juegos. Cuando llegué a este túnel, miré por la ventana hacia donde estaban sentados mis padres y mis abuelos, y tenía demasiado miedo para seguir adelante. Mi mamá vio esto, así que, sin pensar, entró en el Lugar de Juegos, subió hasta donde yo estaba congelado por el miedo y me bajó

sano y salvo al piso. Mis abuelos a menudo me contaban esa historia y me recordaban: "Tu mamá subió al Lugar de Juegos para buscarte".

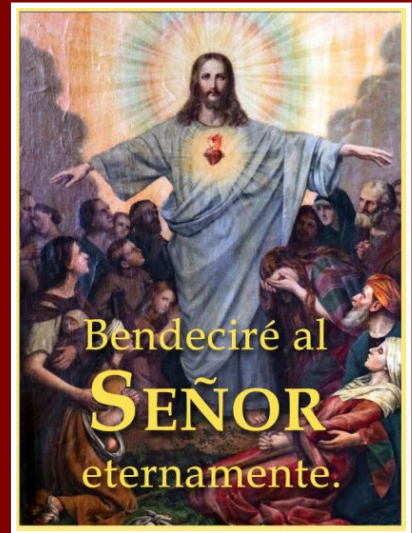
Hoy celebramos la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de la Misericordia, la fiesta patronal de nuestra parroquia. Pero ¿qué es la misericordia? La misericordia es el amor cuando entra en contacto con el mal. En el Antiguo Testamento, una de las palabras para misericordia es rahamim. Se refiere a esos sentimientos fuertes de ternura y compasión que una madre tiene por su hijo.

Este es también el tipo de misericordia que Dios tiene para con nosotros. Cuando nos ve hundidos en la miseria del pecado, no se aleja de nosotros, sino que, como mi mamá sube al Lugar de Juegos, se apresura a rescatarnos. Y Él no sólo nos rescata enviando a otro para que se encargue de ello, sino que Él Mismo se hace hombre y sufre y muere por nosotros para que podamos estar con Él para siempre en el Cielo.

En el momento de la Redención, Jesús nos dio a Su madre para que sea también nuestra madre. Así como María dio su "sí" a Dios en la Anunciación, también da su "sí" al Pie de la Cruz al amoroso plan de salvación de Dios, aunque signifique la muerte de su Hijo, mostrando misericordia a todo el género humano. Y este "sí" no termina ahí, sino que ella continúa mostrando esta misericordia a todos sus hijos que la invocan. La misericordia que ella nos muestra siempre allana el camino para que recibamos la misericordia de Dios.

Pero para muchos de nosotros puede ser muy difícil recibir misericordia porque nos sentimos indignos o porque nos resulta difícil afrontar nuestros pecados. Pero a pesar de esto, debemos estar abiertos a recibir la misericordia de Dios como niños pequeños porque sin ella estamos indefensos. Un niño no hace nada para ganarse el amor de sus padres, sino que simplemente lo recibe como un regalo. De la misma manera, debemos reconocer nuestra necesidad de la misericordia de Dios, aceptar esa misericordia como el don gratuito que es y agradecer a Dios por esto. Como mis abuelos que me recordaron que mi mamá subió al Lugar de Juegos para buscarme, podemos cantar con María: "La misericordia del Señor es de generación en generación".

Padre Frank



Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo	Is 55, 6-9; Sal 144, 2-3. 8-9. 17-18; Fil 1, 20-24. 27; Mt 20, 1-16
Lunes	Esd 1, 1-6; Sal 125, 1-2ab. 2cd-3. 4-5. 6; Lc 8, 16-18
Martes	Esd 6, 7-8. 12. 14-20; Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4a. 4b-5; Lc 8, 19-21
Miércoles	Esd 9, 5-9; Tob 13, 2. 3-4a. 4bcd. 5. 8; Lc 9, 1-6
Jueves	Ag 1, 1-8; Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6a y 9b; Lc 9, 7-9
Viernes	Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14 o Apoc 12, 7-12; Sal 137, 1-2a. 2bc-3. 4-5; Jn 1, 47-51
Sábado	Zac 2, 5-9. 14-15; Jer 31, 10. 11-12ab. 13; Lc 9, 43-45
Domingo	Ez 18, 25-28; Sal 24, 4bc-5. 6-7. 8-9; Fil 2, 1-11 o Fil 2, 1-5; Mt 21, 28-32



September 24, 2023

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9 | Phil 1:20c-24, 27a | Mt 20:1-16a

Written by
THE
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today's readings should bring us great joy. They are a reminder that our Lord may have high standards, but he is also "generous in forgiving" and "near to all who call upon him." In the Gospel, we hear the parable of the laborers in the vineyard. Some work all day while others arrive at the last hour. However, all are paid the same. Similarly, we can all receive God's heavenly reward - whether we are faithful Catholics since birth or converts in our final hour. This parable may evoke mixed feelings for those who see themselves as the laborers who have toiled all day and wonder why their reward is not greater. But rather than making us jealous, this parable should make us rejoice: How wonderful that everyone has the opportunity for everlasting life with the Lord! And what great comfort to know that if we falter and lose our way, it is never too late to return to God.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Sometimes, knowing that we are the recipients of God's bountiful mercy, we can be tempted to lead a life focused mostly on worldly pleasures. To paraphrase St. Augustine: Make me holy Lord ... just not yet! Of course we know this isn't the right attitude or approach to life, but it's certainly tempting. Let's return to the message of the Gospel for a moment. Yes, the Lord is generous in giving all the workers the same wage. But perhaps equally as important is that we are called to be workers in the Lord's vineyard, and what an honor and privilege that is! Serving in the Lord's kingdom here on earth is not drudgery; it is life-giving and fills us with God's love and grace. Let us recall the words of St. Paul in today's Letter to the Philippians. Although he longs to "depart this life and be with Christ," he knows that staying here on earth means "fruitful labor for me." Let us also strive to keep our eyes on the Lord and labor in his field for as long as we are able.

PRAY The first reading from Isaiah reminds us that the Lord works in ways we can't understand: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord." Let us ask God this week for the fortitude to reorient our thoughts and ways to his will, not ours, so as to "conduct [ourselves] in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ."

Bishop Hicks' Column

September 2023

1,000 DAYS



RECENTLY, SOME FRIENDS AND I WERE DEBATING if “milleversary” is a real word. I’d never heard of it, but some insisted it is a legitimate word that means 1,000-day anniversary. Some cleverly invented alternatives like “kiloversary,” or “k-day.”

This summer I celebrated my “milleversary” here in the Diocese of Joliet. September 29 will mark three years since I was installed as your bishop. I still remember my installation Mass as if it were yesterday. It was in the midst of the pandemic. Even though my heart raced with joy and excitement as I walked down the aisle and looked around, I thought to myself, *what strange days these are with the pews only 20 percent filled with masked people.*

After the installation, I spent my first year in deliberate listening mode. I strived to get to know the diocese, the history of the parishes, the nature of the schools, the experiences of the priests and deacons, the presence of the religious men and women, the involvement of the laity, the breadth of ministries, the status of our finances and the source of our donations and resources. Like assembling pieces of a puzzle, I began to form a clearer picture of our diocese that included both the good and the bad.

I quickly realized the expanse of our diocese. With 125 parishes and missions contained in 4,218 square miles within seven counties, our footprint is enormous. Before arriving in Joliet—during my six years as Vicar General in the archdiocese of Chicago—I walked each day to my office in the pastoral center. As a result, I averaged only about 6,000 miles per year using my car. Comparatively, I now drive about 22,000 miles per year.

But I’m certainly not complaining. I am truly most happy when I get out from behind my desk and am out “in the vineyard” with you, the people of God, celebrating our faith and salvation in the Lord Jesus. Though each parish has a unique “personality,” they all share the common trait of gracious hospitality.

I am deeply moved when I witness the pastoral leadership of our priests, deacons and staff members. I am touched by how much our parishioners love the Lord, the Blessed Mother, your communities of faith and your families.

Naturally, when I first arrived, I had to come to grips with some of the challenges facing our diocese, many of which were caused by the pandemic. These issues included budgetary concerns caused by decreasing attendance and contributions. With ever-shifting demographics, I was made aware of how some parishes and schools are experiencing great growth, while others are in substantial decline.

Two years ago, when I launched our Targeted Restructuring process, my first goal was to reorganize the diocesan offices while embracing a diocesan vision of Catechesis, Evangelization and Faith into Action. Since then, we also have turned our attention to consolidating or closing some specific parishes and schools, so that our diocese will continue to thrive vibrantly and meet the needs of all those we serve.

Through it all, I have emphasized the need to pass our beautiful faith and tradition on to the next generation—as we move from maintenance to mission. I want us to intentionally look for every opportunity to bring more people into the Catholic faith—especially young people—as we continue to encourage them to consider a vocation to the priesthood, religious life and the various ministries in the Church. While doing this at the local level, we also have embraced national movements such as the National Eucharistic Revival, as well as the international Synod on Synodality.

As I reflect on these past 1,000+ days and look forward to my fourth year as your bishop, I am anticipating our launch of the year-long commemoration of our diocese’s 75th Anniversary. This celebration will give us the opportunity to remember our past, celebrate our present and look forward with hope.

Your presence, prayers and gifts make this a strong and healthy diocese. Thank YOU for making it so easy for me to say constantly, *I feel happy, blessed and grateful here.*

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The Extraordinary Graces & Gifts of the Divine Mercy devotion

You're invited to discover, "The Extraordinary Graces and Gifts of the Divine Mercy Devotion," during a special seminar Tuesday, October 10th, at 7 p.m. in PLC Room 208.

After examining the relationship between the Passion of Christ and Divine Mercy, our 90-minute seminar will delve into the direct words of Jesus as our "King of Divine Mercy," as revealed in Saint Faustina's Diary, "Divine Mercy in My Soul." Most prominent are the following words of Jesus, which today are revered as His Extraordinary Promise and among His greatest acts of mercy for those souls who trust in Him:

"On that (Divine Mercy) Feast Day, the depths of My mercy will be open to all...The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."

In addition to preparing for OLM's celebration of the Divine Mercy Feast Day that will take place Sunday, April 7, 2024, the seminar will cover many facets of Divine Mercy that Jesus, through St. Faustina, made available for us each day of the year:

Praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Reciting His Novena of Chaplets
Contemplating the Divine Mercy Image
Daily Observance of the 3 p.m. Hour of Mercy
Practicing Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy

A highlight of our October 10th seminar will be a group recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Pamphlets featuring both the Chaplet and the Chaplet Novena will be made available to all. No registration is required, but please be sure to bring your Rosary! For more information, e-mail trollerw@live.com or call (630) 585-1865.




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Grab a ticket for yourself, your friends, your family.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 9/27th @ 7pm!

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Join the Crafty Souls For A 12 Hour Craft Event!



Saturday, October 7
9:00 am to 9:00 pm

Bring your favorite project and spend the day crafting in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Registration deadline is September 30 and the \$25 fee includes lunch and dinner.

Contact olmcraftsouls@gmail.com for more information and to register.

Around the Parish

Blessing of the Animals

Bring your pet and join us at 12:00 pm on Saturday, October 7 at the circle drive for a blessing of the animals. All God's creatures are welcome!

Walking Through Grief

Experiencing the loss of a loved one is a difficult journey. Our Lady of Mercy is offering a supportive place for participants (ages 18 and older) to walk through grief together in a faith community to find hope and healing. **Walking Through Grief** is a weekly support group for six weeks from 1:00PM to 2:30PM on the following Mondays: October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and November 6 in Room 202 in the Parish Life Center. If you would like to attend or have questions, please call Jolene at 331-707-5380.

Undy Sunday

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 is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting the following NEW items for children and adults living in low-income households:

- Women's socks (all sizes)
- Men's boxers and boxer briefs (all sizes)

The collection will be held Saturday, October 14th and Sunday, October 15th, 2023

Monetary donations can also be made online at catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community!

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. Their 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 29th 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.

OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH PADS/HESED HOUSE MINISTRY



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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 250 guests at the Hesed House homeless shelter, on the first Tuesday of each month.

Drop-off for all items is **before all Masses** on the **weekend of September 30th and October 1st, 2023**. 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.



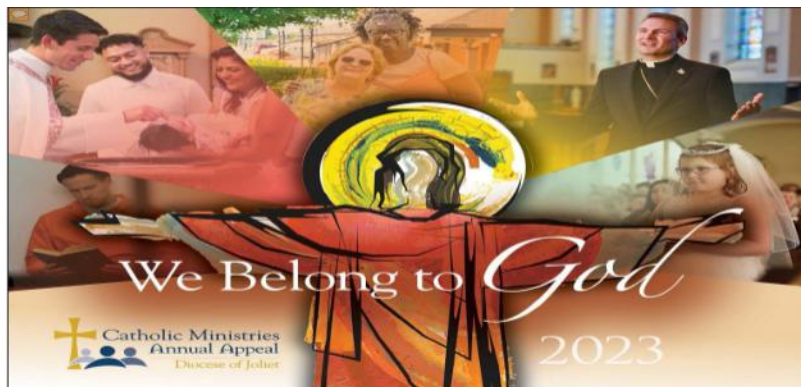
Parish Sacrificial Giving

Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	315,331
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	341,000
Amount Short of Budget	\$	(25,669)
09/10/23 Sunday Collection	\$	27,099
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	31,000
Amount Short of Goal	\$	(3,901)

For the Budget Year 2023/24 we have Increased the Parish Sunday goal by 1.3%, to \$31,000/week, to help expand our numerous varied Ministries.

Thank you for your generosity!!

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



CMAA Pledge Report

Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. 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 amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs.

Parish Goal	\$ 141,900
Amount Pledged	\$ 170,333
Amount Paid	\$ 156,753
Remaining Balance	\$ 13,580
Rebate Amount	\$ 10,397
# of Families Pledged	484

Parish Life Center (Construction Loan)

April, 2009	\$	1,950,000
July, 2023	\$	343,072
August, 2023	\$	331,509

Donate Online Through OSV

Whether you are a registered parishioner with us or visiting, we are set up to receive donations online!



OSV is an online website that makes contributions faster, easier, and accessible at anytime for donors.

Website

www.osvhub.com/olmercy



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Parish Office

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

Friday 8:30am-1:00pm

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00am

Monday (Spanish Mass) 6:30pm

Tuesday 8:00am, 6:30pm

Wednesday 12:00pm

Thursday 6:30am, 8:00am

Saturday 8:30am

Saturday (Anticipated for Sunday) 4:00pm

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

Holy Days of Obligations

Schedule varies. Consult the Mass Schedule in the bulletin or website.

Confessions

Tuesday 7:00-8:00pm

Saturday 9:00-10:00am, 1:30-2:30pm

1st Friday of the Month 8:30-9:15am

Last Wednesday of the Month at Magnify 7:30-8:20pm

Or by Appointment

Prayer Chapel

Open weekdays 7:00am-8:00pm

Adoration

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

Wednesdays 8:00am-12:00pm

1st Friday of the Month 12:00pm

Last Wednesday of the Month at Magnify 7:00-8:30pm

Benediction

Monday & Thursday 6:00pm

New Parishioners

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

Sick and Homebound

Contact the Parish Office so we may help you in any way possible.

Hospitalization

If you anticipate a hospitalization or are admitted to an area hospital and would like a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister, please notify the parish office.

Baptisms

Registered parishioners wishing their child baptized must complete a parent workshop. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent.

Weddings

The bride, groom or either set of parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Weddings may be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. Contact Diane Reiter, ext. 221.

Parish Directory

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