

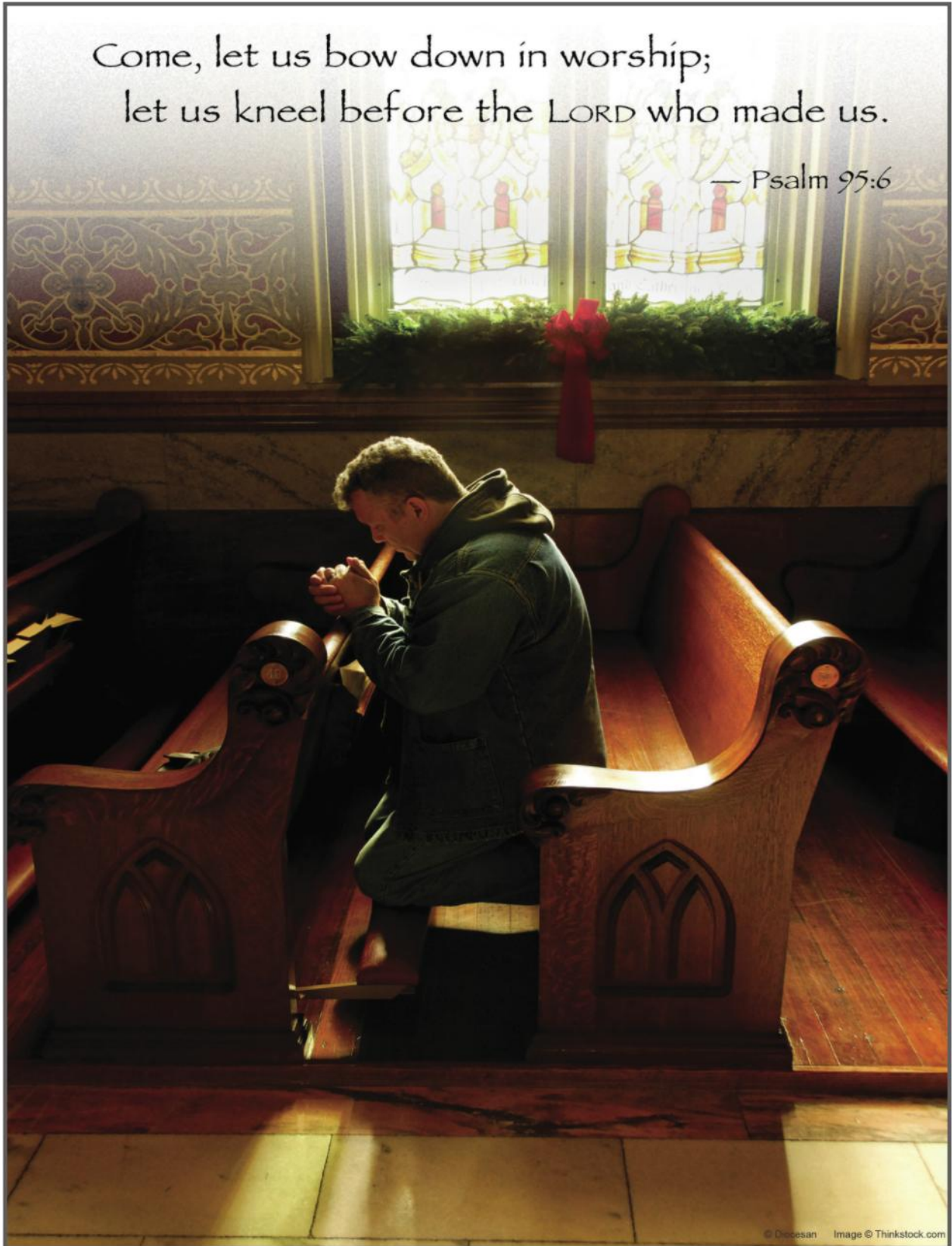


OUR LADY of MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

— Psalm 95:6



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



Hi! For those who have not had the chance to meet me yet, my name is Jonathan. I am a seminarian who has been serving the parish on the weekends while also commuting an hour to Mundelein Seminary on weekdays for my studies. I am thankful to get the opportunity to write this week's bulletin. Furthermore, I am very happy to announce that my full time internship at the parish begins today! I look forward to serving the parish to a fuller extent. Feel free to

approach me and invite me to help you in your parish ministry!

Today's reading from the Gospel of Mark describes Jesus entering the local synagogue and preaching with authority. The response of the people was that of astonishment because this man did not speak as the scribes. He did not support his words by referencing those before him, but spoke with the same authority as the prophets! To emphasize the authority that he possessed, Jesus drives out an unclean spirit from a man.

My attention was drawn to the action of Jesus driving out an unclean spirit, especially in the context of a synagogue. Often, when I teach children or teens preparing to receive the sacraments about the inside of a church, I speak about the sacredness of the space. Christ is truly present in a different way than if you were simply praying in your home. One way we remind ourselves of this reality is through the actions we do with our bodies in that space. We genuflect, make the sign of the cross, and try to respect the sacredness of the space by keeping silent. Thus, the action of Jesus driving out an unclean spirit in what is a sacred space can evoke astonishment!

I would be surprised to hear if many people have had personal experiences of unclean spirits being cast out in church. It is simply not something often experienced, heard about, or reflected upon. However, as today's Gospel brings up, there is the reality that evil can still enter sacred spaces such as our church. What I invite you to consider is that this evil often enters through us. As humans, we aren't perfect, we sin, and this sin over time makes us blind to our own wrongdoings. We may even become inflexible when our faults are pointed out by others. I bring this up not because I desire to see more scrupulosity. No, instead, I desire to see more people set free in the sacrament of confession. You might not have an unclean spirit, but we all are carrying some weight of sin in our hearts. I think today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus desires to cast out all those things that keep us away from him.

With that desire to grow closer to the Lord, I then remind you as well that Ash Wednesday is in a little more than two weeks. I invite you during this time to prepare yourself, and ask in prayer how the Lord is inviting you to grow in your relationship with him. Don't seek to simply mortify the body because you want a physical result. Instead, seek to turn away from sin, and grow in your relationship with God.

Jonathan Hernandez



Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, January 29 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Dcd Members of Sladkowski & Prots Family
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction
- 6:30 pm † Dionisia Battung, by The Batista Family
(Spanish Mass)

Tuesday, January 30 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Martin Victorio Reyes, by Family
- 6:30 pm † Niddi Osemene, by Julianna Hepburn
- 7:00 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Wednesday, January 31 - St John Bosco, Priest

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 12:00 pm Int Johnny & Sarah McNalley,
by Joe & Mary Rita Gorman
- 12:30 pm Reconciliation (Until All Are Heard)

Thursday, February 1 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 6:30 am † Souls in Purgatory
- 8:00 am † Patricia Flanagan, by Barb Jesse
- 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm Benediction

Friday, February 2 - The Presentation of the Lord

- 8:00 am † Marion Dodd, by Steve & Margaret Dodd

Saturday, February 3 - St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

- 8:30 am † Patrice Klasinski
- 9:00am Reconciliation (Until 10:00 AM)
- 1:30 pm Reconciliation (Until 2:30 PM)
- 4:00 pm **Vigil - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
† Dcd Members of the Kingsley Family
† Renny Banach Budz,
by Christine & Ronald Adams

Sunday, February 4 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† David Jenkins, Jr. by Family
- 10:00 am † Vytautas Vilunas, by CDH Neuro OR Team
(Live Streamed)
- 12:00 pm † Ramon Aquitania Valentus,
by CDH Neuro OR Team
- 5:30 pm † Richard Ciombor, by Bob & Sandy Lambert



Blessed Sacrament Chapel Lamps

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

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| 1. Phyllis Anderson | 9. Fr Don McLaughlin |
| 2. Good Health for M.M. | 10. James Krcmarik |
| 3. Gladys Kannankeril | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Sam Bernier | 12. The Sick |
| 5. The Pluskota Family | 13. Special Intention-T.Z. |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. Miraculous Gift |
| 7. Leonardo Cayetano | 15. OLM Volunteers |
| 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

February 3 & 4

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
Michael Butler
Alfredo Chavez
Baby Riley Chick
Robert Ciulla
Michael Dandan
Mary Dunbar
Bridget Garry
Patricia Gebhardt
Jim Gray
Kelly Greenwood
Nancy Higgins
Eric Hoerdemann
Cera Horste
Bob Jones
Helen Joseph
Baby Penelope Keene
Nina Keehn
Keith Kuchinski
Michelle Maeirs

Kristen Manning
Susan Massett
Susan Mennenga
Bill Morse
La Moua
Charlene Oates
Flo Paprzycki
Valerie Plesha
Jim & Carol Pluskota
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 S.I.T. (Seminarista en formación)



¡Hola! Para aquellos que aún no han tenido la oportunidad de conocerme, mi nombre es Jonathan. Soy un seminarista que ha estado sirviendo en la parroquia los fines de semana y al mismo tiempo viajo una hora al Seminario de Mundelein los días de semana para mis estudios. Estoy agradecido de tener la oportunidad de escribir en el boletín de esta semana. Además, ¡estoy muy feliz de anunciar que hoy comienza mi pasantía a tiempo completo en la parroquia! Espero poder servir a la parroquia en la mayor medida. ¡No

duden en acercarse a mí e invitarme a ayudarlos en su ministerio parroquial!

La lectura de hoy del Evangelio de Marcos describe a Jesús entrando a la sinagoga local y predicando con autoridad. La respuesta del pueblo fue de asombro porque este hombre no hablaba como los escribas. ¡Él no sostenía sus palabras haciendo referencia a los que le precedían, sino que hablaba con la misma autoridad que los profetas! Para enfatizar la autoridad que poseía, Jesús expulsa un espíritu inmundo de un hombre.

Me llamó la atención la acción de Jesús expulsando un espíritu inmundo, especialmente en el contexto de una sinagoga. A menudo, cuando enseño a niños o adolescentes que se preparan para recibir los sacramentos, acerca del interior de una iglesia, hablo del carácter sagrado del espacio. Cristo está verdaderamente presente de una manera diferente que si simplemente estuvieras orando en tu casa. Una forma de recordarnos esta realidad es a través de las acciones que realizamos con nuestros cuerpos en ese espacio. Hacemos una genuflexión, hacemos la señal de la cruz y tratamos de respetar el carácter sagrado del espacio guardando silencio. ¡Así, la acción de Jesús expulsando un espíritu inmundo en lo que es un espacio sagrado puede causar asombro!

Me sorprendería saber si muchas personas han tenido experiencias personales de espíritus inmundos expulsados de la iglesia. Simplemente no es algo que se experimente, se escuche o se reflexione con frecuencia. Sin embargo, como lo plantea el Evangelio de hoy, existe la realidad de que el mal todavía puede entrar en espacios sagrados como nuestra iglesia. Lo que les invito a considerar es que muchas veces este mal entra a través de nosotros. Como seres humanos, no somos perfectos, pecamos y este pecado con el tiempo nos vuelve ciegos a nuestras propias malas acciones. Incluso podemos volvernos inflexibles cuando otros señalan nuestras faltas. Menciono esto no porque desee ver más escrupulosidad. No, en cambio, deseo ver más personas liberadas en el sacramento de la confesión. Puede que no tengas un espíritu inmundo, pero todos llevamos algún peso de pecado en nuestros corazones. Creo que el Evangelio de hoy nos recuerda que Jesús desea expulsar todas aquellas cosas que nos mantienen alejados de él.

Con ese deseo de acercarnos más al Señor, les recuerdo también que dentro de poco más de dos semanas será el Miércoles de Ceniza. Te invito durante este tiempo a prepararte y preguntar en oración cómo el Señor te está invitando a crecer en tu relación con él. No busques simplemente mortificar el cuerpo porque quieres un resultado físico. En lugar de eso, busca alejarte del pecado y crecer en tu relación con Dios.

Jonathan Hernandez



Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo	Dt 18, 15-20; Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9; 1 Cor 7, 32-35; Mc 1, 21-28
Lunes	2 Sm 15, 13-14. 30; 16, 5-13; Sal 3, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7; Mc 5, 1-20
Martes	2 Sm 18, 9-10. 14. 24-25. 30—19, 3; Sal 85, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6; Mc 5, 21-43
Miércoles	2 Sm 24, 2. 9-17; Sal 31, 1-2. 5. 6. 7; Mc 6, 1-6
Jueves	1 Re 2, 1-4. 10-12; 1 Crón 29, 10. 11abc. 11d-12a. 12bcd; Mc 6, 7-13
Viernes	Mal 3, 1-4; Sal 23, 7. 8. 9. 10; Heb 2, 14-18; Lc 2, 22-40 o Lc 2, 22-32
Sábado	1 Re 3, 4-13; Sal 118, 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14; Mc 6, 30-34
Domingo	Jb 7, 1-4. 6-7; Sal 146, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6; 1 Cor 9, 16-19. 22-23; Mc 1, 29-39



January 28, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 18:15-20 | 1 Cor 7:32-35 | Mk 1:21-28

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

Oh, to not be anxious! What would that be like – to not have to worry about how we’ll pay the bills or whether our kids are safe or if our health will fail? While anxiety is a very human emotion, we can take comfort in knowing that our God is more powerful than anything that may worry us. It is also important to note that in today’s reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Corinthians, what he means by “anxious” is not a modern psychological concept with only a negative connotation. The connotation is more “to be concerned with,” or “caring about” something, and can refer to things that are very good – including spouses and families! But when we care for many things, including our relationship with God, it is only natural for us to be anxious at times. But Jesus Christ gives us the assurance that the troubles of this world are temporary, and the peace of God eternal. Paul is encouraging the Corinthians, and us, to understand the importance of an undivided devotion to God, to care for him above all things – no matter if we are married or single – so that our whole life is devoted to holiness.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I am always thankful when something good that has been anticipated, or predicted, comes to pass: The sunshine and mild weather holds true for that outdoor event I hosted; or the generous gift that a longtime friend mailed arrives unscathed. There is some anxiety in the waiting for, but relief in the fulfillment of, these beneficent promises. And while these are somewhat superficial examples, they do point us in the same direction of hope and gratitude that the divine gifts of God elicit in us. In today’s first reading, Moses promises the people that the Lord will raise up for them, from among their own kin, a prophet who will speak God’s own words and to whom the people will listen. And the Lord did provide numerous prophets, and kings, and judges, and eventually his only begotten Son, to call his people back to himself, and to save them from the wages of sin and death. The hope and anticipation God’s chosen people had was fulfilled in Jesus’ life, death and resurrection. We share in that gift of hope and of gratitude for our salvation.

PRAY Today’s psalm (Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9) is a beautiful prayer of thanksgiving and encouragement. It helps us steer our minds from those things which may make us anxious. Spend time in the morning or evening each day of the coming week, praying and reflecting on the words.

Bishop Hicks' Column

January 2024

BENEFITS OF A PAPER CALENDAR IN THE DIGITAL AGE



IN AN ERA DOMINATED BY SMARTPHONES AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY, the traditional paper calendar may seem like an antiquated relic from a bygone era. In 2011, I

officially switched from my five-year calendar/planner, which sat with heavy prominence on my desk, to a digital calendar that automatically syncs with my phone. Admittedly, the digital calendar is much more convenient and efficient, and once I made the move, I had no regrets. Yet, I still miss some of the nuances of using a paper calendar.

One thing I miss about writing an event down is the ability to impress my friends or family by telling them that I'm going to write down our appointment "in ink" — a nod to the importance and value of our upcoming gathering. I also miss the act of flipping through the pages of a physical calendar, as it evokes so many memories and emotions. Esthetically, a paper calendar — especially those that hang on the wall — also provides a wide array of styles to display, like artwork, in our homes and offices.

I am delighted that the Diocese of Joliet has partnered with Catholic Extension to publish a 2024 Anniversary Calendar for our 75th Jubilee. Catholic Extension, since 1905, has been effectively building up and strengthening Catholic faith communities in the United States, especially those in economically disadvantaged or geographically isolated areas.

As we mark our 75th anniversary, this calendar beautifully expresses a narrative woven together as a tapestry of a vibrant Catholic Community. It superbly highlights key milestones with historical photographs and anecdotes that chronicle our extraordinary history and evolution. Each month unfolds with an invitation to revisit moments of significance: from the establishment of the diocese to the growth of parishes to the contributions of the clergy, religious, and laity.

This calendar also bridges different generations. It connects those who have witnessed the diocese's transformative journey with the younger Catholics who may be fascinated to learn about their roots. At the same time, it encapsulates the collective memory of our diocese, fostering a sense of community and shared heritage. Graphically, the calendar allows us to see that the diocese is much larger than only our own parish experience.

Moreover, the calendar serves as a practical guide offering information on liturgical seasons, feast days, and holy days, along with reminding us about special liturgies, ordinations, and events. It also gives us the opportunity to remember former bishops and sets aside a specific date to pray for each of our parishes. By seamlessly integrating the sacred and the secular, our calendar becomes a daily and monthly companion, enhancing our connection to our faith, heritage, and the sense of belonging to God and each other.

Our calendar further highlights the contributions of individuals, movements, and organizations that have shaped and continue to shape our diocese. Through profiles, stories, and brief history lessons, it celebrates all those heroes, both popular and unsung, whose dedication, faith, and service embody the spirit of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Joliet.

The calendar's inclusion of key events, Masses, service opportunities, and milestones for the upcoming year not only keeps us informed but also invites active participation. It hopefully will inspire and motivate us to come together and contribute our time, talents, and gifts to ensure that our diocese remains strong and alive for generations to come.

These calendars are so beautiful and informative, serving as a keepsake for years to come. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the businesses, companies, and service providers who sponsored the 2024 Anniversary Calendar at their local parishes.

If you were not able to procure a calendar for yourself, please scan the QR code or go to this link to view it electronically: bit.ly/3tE94m0



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Like so many of you, I will continue to use my digital calendar that syncs with my computer and smartphone. However, I also will proudly consult daily our paper calendar as a companion to navigating the folds of time in the digital age. By honoring the past, embracing the present, and hoping for the future, may we continue to pray for each other.

Happy New Year! And with every passing day and each monthly move to the next calendar page, may God bless you and yours.

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OLMERCY.COM/THERESCUEPROJECT  Starts February 15

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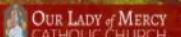
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TOGETHER WE CAN DISCOVER THE STORY

 MEAL  EPISODE  DISCUSSION **THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM** 



Living With 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 living with grief to be together in a faith community to find healing and hope.

Grief topics will vary each month. Come to the one that would be of support to you.

Caring For Your Heart While Grieving

Tuesday, February 13th 1-2:30pm in Room 208

REGISTRATION IS REQUESTED- CONNECT WITH JOLENE LEROY AT 331-707-5380 TO RSVP OR FOR QUESTIONS

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH RENEWAL WEEKEND 

Men's Weekend
Feb 24 - Feb 25
Alex Grove
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Women's Weekend
Mar 2 - Mar 3
Beatriz Cultura
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We've Missed You..

JOIN US FOR DONUT SUNDAY!

JANUARY 28TH AFTER THE 8 & 10AM MASSES

IN THE PLC GYM

HOSTS: OLM SOCIAL COMMITTEE



OFFERING GOD GLORY AND THANKSGIVING

WEDNESDAY 1/31 @ 7PM

Magnify
AN ADORATION PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENT

Scriptural Reflection
Confessions, Prayer Ministry,
Praise led by Josh Goodman



Around the Parish

Charismatic Healing Mass

The next Charismatic Healing Mass will be Saturday, February 3rd at 6:00 pm. All are welcome!

PADS/Hesed House

Drop-off for all PADS/Hesed House items are before all Masses on the weekend of February 3rd & 4th. 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.

Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 11. Plan on stopping by for a delicious breakfast while helping to support the Teen Mission Trip. Tickets will be available at the door.

Ash Wednesday

February 14 is Ash Wednesday. Ashes will be distributed at 6:30 am, 8:00 am, Noon, *5:30 pm and 7:00 pm. The above times are all Masses with the exception of 5:30 pm which will be a Prayer Service officiated by one of OLM's deacons.

DisABILITIES Mass

Individuals with DisABILITIES/special needs are invited to join us with their friends and family for a special DisABILITIES mass on March 10th at 2:00 pm. If you know an individual with a disability that is interested in enrolling in our upcoming "Faith Buddies" gatherings this spring and/or a peer (must be 10 or older to be a peer) who might be interested in becoming a "faith buddy" to an individual with a disability, please contact Lydia at lydias@olmercy.com.

Jail Ministry Volunteers

Dedicated volunteers are needed to tangibly show the love of Jesus to men and women that society had tossed away and labeled as unworthy, broken, dangerous, or beyond help. Through Jail Ministry, prisoners are reminded that God does not label them—He loves them. Please pray about heeding the call in Hebrews 13:3 (or Matthew 25:34-46) and connect with Sharon Smagala for further details at tweeter4811@gmail.com




MARCH 2-3, 2024!  **Benedictine University**
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

The Robert H. Weaver Knights of Columbus Council #12005 would like to congratulate the following winners of our free throw competition held January 18, 2024, at the Our Lady of Mercy Parish Life Center:

Gabriella Curcio
Aiden Gross

Juan Pablo Cordero
Giovanni Sanderlin

We wish them luck as they move on to the District competition in February, with the winners advancing to the Regional competition in March.

We thank all the kids that came out for a fun morning of competition.

Congratulations once again.



Parish Sacrificial Giving		
Actual Year-to-Date Collections	\$	833,969
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	\$	837,000
Amount Short of Budget	\$	(3,031)
01/14/2024 Sunday Collection	\$	26,043
Weekly Sunday Goal	\$	31,000
Amount Short of Goal	\$	(4,957)
Christmas Collections	\$	65,306
Christmas Budget	\$	62,000
Amount in Excess of Goal	\$	3,306
<i>Thank you for your generosity!!</i>		
<i>Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Parish in your will and estate planning.</i>		



2023 Tax Statements

Tax Statements for 2023 will be mailed out no later than January 31, 2024 to anyone who donated \$250 or more for the 2023 calendar year.

If you do not receive a statement and would like one to be mailed out, please email Lydia Schmitt at lydias@olmercy.com or call 331-707-5377.

Diocese of Joliet



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Crest Hill, Illinois 60403
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January 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For more than 50 years, this collection has given Catholics in the United States an opportunity to share faith in unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout Latin America and the Caribbean islands.

The work of evangelization is carried out by Christians who meet people where they are—not only in a geographical sense but also in the context of culture. Though the Gospel is unchanging, we have many ways to make it relevant to people of all cultural, ethnic, and linguistic backgrounds.

Our diocese takes up this collection on the weekend of January 28. Please be generous toward this collection. Consider giving at Mass or through your parish's online giving platform. The [#iGiveCatholicTogether](https://usccb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usccb-church-in-latin-america) website (<https://usccb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usccb-church-in-latin-america>) also accepts online funds for the collection. Your support truly makes a difference. Thank you and God bless you.

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Paz y bien,

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

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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. Contact Lydia Schmitt at 331-707-5377.

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 Theresa Simeo at 331-707-5374.

Parish Directory

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