

July 13, 2014



# Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street

Plainville, Connecticut 06062

**Rev. John F. Brinsmade**

*Pastor*

**Dcn. Robert Berube**

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**Nicholas Drabik**

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**Sandra DeBlois**

*Bookkeeper*

**Robert DeBlois**

*Maintenance*

**Bryan Knorr**

*Director of Liturgy*

**Jeanne Gionfriddo**

*Director of Religious Education & RCIA*

**Jo-Ann Blanchette-Silverio**

*Parish Administrative Assistant*

## Parish Office/Cemetery Office Hours

9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Monday - Friday

## Parish Trustees

Raymond Corsini, and Josephine Forcella

## New Parishioners

Welcome! If you are new in the parish, please introduce yourself after Liturgy or at the Rectory.

## Liturgy Schedule

Sunday Liturgy - Church

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 8:30 A.M.

10:30 A.M.

Weekday Liturgy

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 8:00 A.M.

## Devotions

Rosary - Monday through Saturday before Morning Mass.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should make arrangements at least six months in advance. Dates or time can be arranged only after speaking with one of the parish clergy.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should begin to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism for their child in advance (even before the child is born, if possible). This allows time for the required preparation. Dates can be arranged after attending the parent preparation program. For information contact Rich and Sue Dziura 860 -747-5451.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday At Noon

## Sacrament of the Sick

Arrangements can be made for any sick person to be anointed. Holy Eucharist is brought to the homebound by our Eucharistic Ministers and the parish clergy.

## What is scrupulosity?

Dear Padre,

My brother goes to reconciliation at more than one parish so he can be sure he's getting the "right" penance. This isn't normal. What should I do?

**It sounds as though** your brother has *scrupulosity*, a condition characterized by obsessive thoughts about matters of faith. People with scrupulosity sometimes confess the same sin to several priests and compare answers. Living with scrupulosity is lonely and emotionally draining. The shame people with scrupulosity feel over their perceived sinfulness often isolates them from friends and family who can't understand their fears.

The treatment for scrupulosity is a combination of good pastoral care from one—and only one—priest as well as professional guidance, which often includes drug therapy. Researchers are studying scrupulosity's similarities to obsessive-compulsive disorder.

Another excellent source of support is Liguori Publications' free monthly newsletter, *Scrupulous Anonymous*, which is available at [ScrupulousAnonymous.org](http://ScrupulousAnonymous.org). There you'll find links to other resources as well as information on retreats for people with scrupulosity.

If your brother asks for help, advise him to ask his pastor for the name of a priest in his diocese who specializes in scrupulosity, and tell him about *Scrupulous Anonymous*. Until then, continue to pray for him and be a loving, compassionate sibling.

Fr. Thomas Santa, CSsR  
[sundaybulletin@liguori.org](mailto:sundaybulletin@liguori.org)

## Parish Office/Cemetery Office

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## PARISH MISSION

*We, the people of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville, Connecticut are committed to journey together as a community of faith, hope, and love within the Catholic tradition. We are called to witness to the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives through sharing and celebration of faith and a life of Christian service.*

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF  
July 13, 2014 – Fifteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**MONDAY**      July 14  
8:00AM      Paul Soucy  
                    Req. Daughter

**TUESDAY**    July 15  
8:00AM      Tomasso Forcella  
                    Req. Wife

**WEDNESDAY** July 16  
8:00AM      No Morning Mass

**THURSDAY**    July 17  
8:00AM      Viola Sliwonik  
                    Req. Family

**FRIDAY**        July 18  
8:00AM      Sofie & Philip Forcella  
                    Req. Daughter-in-Law

**SATURDAY**    July 19  
8:00AM      Clara Caliendo – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.  
                    Adam Zielinski – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.  
                    Anthony Madigan – Month Anniv.  
4:00PM      Thomas Leo Cassidy  
                    Req. Family

**SUNDAY**        July 20  
8:30AM      Parishioners  
10:30AM     Adam Zielinski  
                    Req. Roberta & Richard Spray

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Regular	\$4667.00
Monthly	13.00
Holy Day	8.00
Cathedraticum	- 257.84
SSP	- 257.84
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4172.32</b>

**July 14 - 6:00 – 8:00PM – Karate**  
**July 16 - 7:00PM – NA – Room 107**  
**July 20 - 10:30AM – Noon – Men's AA – Rm 106**

**WHAT IS YOUR MISSION?...Pope Francis** reminds us of our mission regularly. Recently, he said, "Let us all remember this: one cannot proclaim the Gospel of Jesus without the tangible witness of one's life. Those who listen to us and observe us must be able to see in our actions what they hear from our lips, and so give glory to God! I am thinking now of some advice that Saint Francis of Assisi gave his brothers: preach the Gospel and, if necessary, use words. Preaching with your life, with your witness." Take the Gospel from your Head to your Heart this coming year through a new program, here at Our Lady of Mercy, that will renew your mission! More information to come in upcoming bulletins!



**FRANCISCAN LIFE CENTER SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM EXPERIENCES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH ...Summer Enrichment Program Ages 6 to 12, July 28 - August 1, 2014, 9:30am - 3:00pm, \$175 per child per week, Children's Activities Includes...Animal Care, Art, Baking, Drama, Music, Sports, Storytelling. Please provide bag lunch. Drinks and snacks will be provided. For more information or scholarship opportunities, contact Rosellyn at (203) 237-8084 or email: [rgg@flcenter.org](mailto:rgg@flcenter.org). Website: [www.flcenter.org](http://www.flcenter.org).**

**BUS TRIP to Fr. Ralph DiOrio Healing Services.**  
*"My Dear People of God, Dear Friends, I, Reverend Father Ralph Anthony DiOrio, a priest of God, a validly ordained priest in the Christian Roman Catholic Community on June 1, 1957, most graciously welcome you to come and to share with and through us the Divine Love and Merciful blessings of Christ's Healing Presence"*  
**Sturbridge Host Hotel, Sturbridge MA  
Sunday, July 20 and/or Sunday August 17  
Bus pick up in North Haven (9:00 AM) & Cromwell (9:20) & Hartford, Cost is \$45.00  
MaryAnn 203.407.1448. Info on Fr. DiOrio-visit [RDOhealingministry.org](http://RDOhealingministry.org).**

**RED SOX FAN OR YANKEE FAN?**

The Life Long Faith Committee would like to engage the entire parish to see which team's fan can collect the most brand new men's and women's underwear and socks for the St. Vincent DePaul Mission in Bristol. Fr. John, an avid Yankee fan, promises AGAIN this year to wear the jersey of whatever team wins, no matter who that might be, to the Parish Picnic. Two boxes labeled Red Sox and Yankees are in the Gathering Room. Place your items in the box of your choice by August 31<sup>st</sup>. What jersey would you like to see Fr. John wear? We hear he is counting on his fellow Yankee fans to help him out for another season this year. Date of the picnic is September 7<sup>TH</sup> ! Location to be determined due to construction at Paderweski Park.

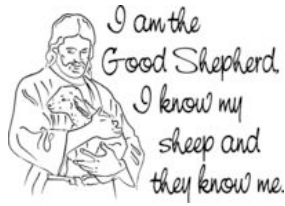


**OUR PARISH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM...**for children ages 3 - 10 will be held August 4 - 8, from 9 - 11:30AM. The program consists of daily Bible stories, music, crafts and recreation each day. The fee of \$25 is to help defray the cost of the program. Please call Jeanne at the Parish Center to register or for more details.



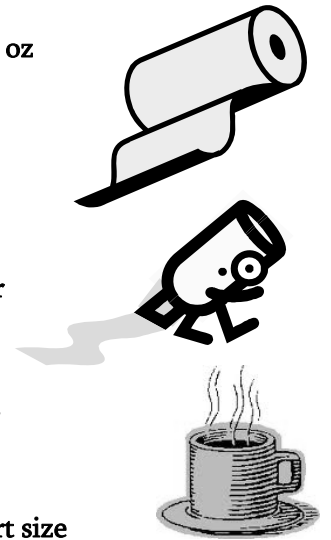
**CATACHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD...**

*The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a religious formation program that has its roots in Maria Montessori. Montessori believed that if you prepare the environment, children will learn. In 1954 Sofia Cavaletti used Maria Montessori's method of learning and developed materials that would bring children ages 3 - 5 to God in a very special way. It is a program based on scripture and the Mass, using hands-on materials to aid the children in learning more about God. The program is held in the Atrium on Thursdays from September to May, from 1 to 2:30pm. The Atrium is located in our parish center; we have a small altar, tabernacle, baptismal font, sample size vestments and other specially designed materials that are meant for hands-on experiences. The program is open to children ages 3 to 5 on a first come, first served basis. Registration is for a yearlong commitment and is limited to eight children. The fee for the year is \$25. Contact Jeanne at our Parish Center at 860.747.6825 for additional information and/or a tour of the Atrium.*



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEEDS...**Our Faith Formation Programs are in need of the following items. Items can be left in the gathering room marked Faith Formation or brought to the Parish Center. Thank you in advance for your continued support.....

- Cold drink cups; 5 oz and 9 oz
- Hot drink cups
- Heavy-duty paper plates
- Paper towels
- Plastic forks
- Small dessert plates
- Poster board-white or color
- Markers
- Coffee regular and decaf
- Foam or paper cereal bowls
- Large, disposable foil pans
- Rolls of clear sealing tape
- Ziploc bags-gallon and quart size
- Aluminum foil
- Glue Sticks
- Velcro



**ALL LIFE IS PRECIOUS!**... To celebrate the children in the womb within our community, as well as their parents and family, we will be celebrating the new **Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb** here at Our Lady of Mercy. The celebration will take place **during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, August 3rd**, and includes a special blessing of the children in the womb and all those present following the Homily. According to the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, "Such a blessing sustains the parents by imparting grace and comfort in time of concern and need, unites the parish in prayer for the unborn child, and fosters respect for human life within society." If you are interested in receiving this special blessing for your unborn child, please contact the Parish office, 747-6825.

**WE HAVE A NEW MINISTRY AT OLM!**...Fr. John is sending out cards to parishioners who are home bound, have just experienced a medical procedure, have recently entered assisted living or a convalescent home. If you know of someone in this situation and they have not received a card yet, please call the Parish Office so that we can make sure a card gets sent out to them. Thank you for your help. We do not need to know their medical situation. We wish to keep parishioners' health conditions personal and private.

*May the Lord  
Comfort You  
As You Heal*  
NorthwindGreetingCards.com



**THE LATEST BEAUTIFICATION**

**ADDITION...**OLM would like to thank another anonymous donor for building the new fence that runs along the side parking lot and painting the large concrete flower pots that are in between the fence. Soon plants will be planted in those pots to complete the beauty of the project. Thank You Again!

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE #? MOVING? NEW PARISHIONER?** Kindly fill out the new information below and return it to the Parish Office by mail, in person or place in the collection basket. This info will help us keep our records up to date and to welcome new parishioners. Thank you.



**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWN & ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_