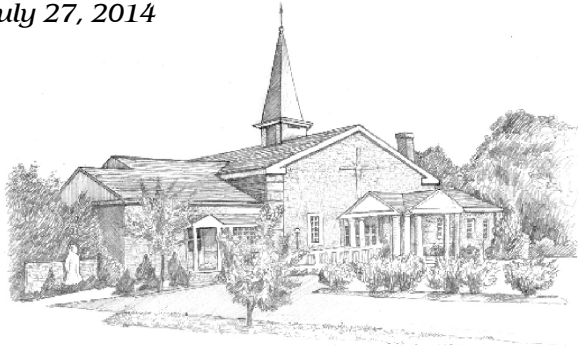


July 27, 2014



# Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street

Plainville, Connecticut 06062

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*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.

## Who was the thirteenth apostle?

Dear Padre,

My granddaughter says her teacher said there were thirteen apostles. Who is number thirteen?

**When we recall** the apostles, we usually think of the Twelve, an early tradition that the Church is a reconstituted Israel based on its original twelve tribes.

In the Gospels of Matthew (10:2-4), Mark (3:14-19), and Luke (6:13-16) and in Acts of the Apostles (1:13, 16-18), all twelve apostles are named. Each list begins with Peter, followed by Andrew, James, and John, with Judas always last. Then, except for Philip and Thomas (listed in all four Gospels and in Acts), varying translations are provided for the different names of the Twelve. John's Gospel, which does not name all twelve, adds Nathanael (1:45-51). Any of these could be mistaken for a thirteenth apostle.

But your granddaughter is probably talking about Matthias. When the apostles gathered to choose a replacement for Judas Iscariot, two men were nominated: Joseph, also called Barsabbas, and Matthias. Before they chose, the apostles prayed, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this apostolic ministry from which Judas turned away to go to his own place" (Acts 1:24-25).

Then they voted by casting lots (throwing pebbles or straws), and the lots fell on Matthias. From then on, Matthias was counted as one of the twelve apostles.

Fr. Bob Lindsey, CSsR  
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## 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 27, 2014 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary**

	<u>Time</u>
<b><u>MONDAY</u></b>	<b><u>July 28</u></b>
8:00AM	Marie Cilizza Anderson Req. M/M Douglas Williams
<b><u>TUESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>July 29</u></b>
8:00AM	James Tella Req. Brenda Tella
<b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b>	<b><u>July 30</u></b>
8:00AM	No Morning Mass
<b><u>THURSDAY</u></b>	<b><u>July 31</u></b>
8:00AM	Marie Cilizza Req. American Legion Aux.
<b><u>FRIDAY</u></b>	<b><u>August 1</u></b>
8:00AM	Paul & Lucien Lessard Req. Sister
<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>August 2</u></b>
8:00AM	Pauline Schwartz – Month Anniv. Norma Tarca – Month Anniv. Theresa Dalena – Month Anniv.
4:00PM	William Bernie Peters Req. Family
<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>	<b><u>August 3</u></b>
8:30AM	Parishioners
10:30AM	Pam Nightingale Req. Family

Rite of New Life Celebration

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Regular	\$4513.00
Monthly	1489.00
Catch Up	85.00
Cathedraticum	- 334.78
SSP	- 334.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5417.44</b>

**July 28 - 6:00 – 8:00PM – Karate**

**July 30 - 7:00PM – NA – Room 107**

**August 3 - 10:30AM – Noon – Men's AA – Rm 106**

**HOLY HUMOR**...I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime. She would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from e-mail."



**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 as most of you know, 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.



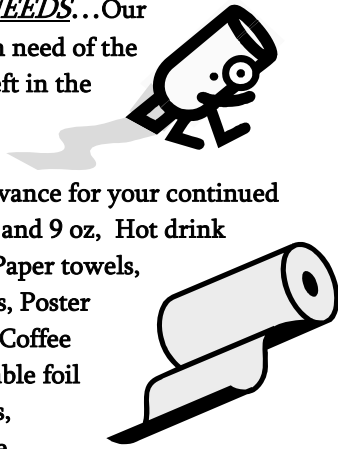
**ALL LIFE IS PRECIOUS!**... To celebrate the children in the womb within our community, as well as their parents and family, we will be celebrating the new **Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb** here at Our Lady of Mercy. The celebration will take place **during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, August 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.

**NEXT WEEKEND IS THE COLLECTION FOR THE FOOD PANTRY. THE CHILDREN ARE STILL OUT OF SCHOOL AND MANY ITEMS ARE NEEDED TO FILL THEIR HUNGRY STOMACHS!! PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS POSSIBLE! THANK YOU!**



**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, Large disposable foil pans, foam or paper cereal bowls, Ziploc bags-gallon and quart size, Aluminum foil, Glue Sticks, and Velcro.



**BE A BUILDER...**Pope Francis, in a message on World Youth Day last year, said, "*I ask you to be builders of the world, to work for a better world.*" This is our call as Catholics, to build a better world. So, what have you done this year, this month, this week, today, to build a better world? You don't have to move mountains. You don't have to solve the world's problems. But, Pope Francis calls us to "**continue to overcome apathy, offering a Christian response to the social and political anxieties, which are arising in various parts of the world.**" He challenges us: "**Don't be observers, but immerse yourself in the reality of life...**" There are a thousand ways to help others, right where you are! Get involved. Pray. Add your voice. Learn about the world around you and make a difference. The way to begin is with one step. Hear more from Pope Francis and about a variety of ways that you can be a builder of the world. Watch upcoming bulletins for more info on the upcoming **From Head to Heart - Bringing the Kingdom of God to this Earth** program that begins in September.



**LITURGY, THE WORD...**Liturgy is a word that comes from the Greek meaning "the work of the people." What makes our liturgy a "shared" work? We sing; we sit in silence; we listen and speak; we stand, embrace, eat, and drink. In all these actions (including formalized or ritualized communication) we speak to one another and to God with our bodies and our voices, and we "listen" not just with our hearing but with all our senses. The real communication of the liturgy is the moments that it offers us for being still in open and loving relationship with God and one another. Liturgy is not something we do for God. It is our opportunity to touch and enlarge our experience of God, to be with God, to hear God, to know God. When it works, it changes who we are and how we live.

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**HARVEST NOW...**Once again this summer, Our Lady of Mercy is participating in the HARVEST NOW project. Harvest now was started in 2010 as a food growing charity. The number of worshipping communities participating throughout Connecticut and it continues to grow. In addition, prison populations are also involved. We simply ask those parishioners who have planted vegetable gardens to pledge a portion of their crop to Harvest Now. When



ripe, please deliver the fresh vegetables to the Plainville Community Food Pantry, identifying that your donation is for the OLM Harvest Now project and that you are an OLM parishioner. This will fill the need for fresh produce to round out the dietary needs of Pantry clients and allow the Pantry to keep track of how much food is being donated. Last year OLM parishioners provided 525 pounds!! To participate or for more information please contact Peg Matteo at 860.747.3828.

**WHILE YOU WERE ON VACATION...**WE STILL NEEDED TO PAY THE BILLS! WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT GREATLY IF YOU COULD PLEASE DONATE YOUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTION FOR THE TIME THAT YOU WERE AWAY! MANY THANKS!



**THE FIRST PARISH PICNIC MEETING...**will be held Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6PM in Room 107. The second meeting will be held on August 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6PM in Room 107.

**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 # \_\_\_\_\_