

October 26, 2014



Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street

Plainville, Connecticut 06062

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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.

Sunday 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 palliative care?

Dear Padre,

My aunt has terminal cancer. Her doctors have advised her to stop chemotherapy and begin palliative care, but she says that's equivalent to assisted suicide. Is that what the Church thinks?

Palliative care doesn't prolong life, but neither does it cause life to end. The bishops are quite clear that palliative care is neither euthanasia nor assisted suicide, which are always sinful.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says treating or not treating a patient in a way that will *cause* death is always murder (2277). However, a patient's choice to discontinue "burdensome, dangerous, *extraordinary* [emphasis added]" treatment "can be legitimate" when it's done not to *cause* death, but in recognition of "one's inability to impede it" (2278). But even when death seems to be close, "*ordinary* care" that would be given to any sick person *cannot* be interrupted (2279).

Palliative care doesn't *cause* death. It simply gives terminally ill people spiritual support and relief from their physical symptoms. An excellent resource on this topic, "Killing the Pain, Not the Patient: Palliative Care vs. Assisted Suicide," is available at usccb.org.

The *Catechism* says palliative care "should be encouraged" (2279). It helps the dying person and the family focus on the gift of life and the blessing each person is. The patient who legitimately chooses palliative care is not waiting to die, but rather living those last moments to the fullest and as comfortably as possible.

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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
OCTOBER 26, 2014 – Thirtieth Sunday in**

Ordinary Time

MONDAY October 27
8:00AM Edward Blanchette
Req. Friend Jean

TUESDAY October 28
8:00AM James Stuart
Req. Buzanoski Family

WEDNESDAY October 29
8:00AM NO MASS

THURSDAY October 30
8:00AM Irene Wygonoski
Req. Sister Jean

FRIDAY October 31
8:00AM Kazimierz Kwiatkowski
Req. Children

SATURDAY November 1
8:00AM Corinne Caron – 1st. Anniv.
Helen J. Biskupiak – Month Anniv.
Joanne Macchio – Month Anniv.
4:00PM All Souls

SUNDAY November 2
8:30AM All Souls
10:30AM All Souls
4:00PM Mass of Remembrance

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$4399.50
Monthly	1527.00
Catch Up	72.00
Cathedraticum	- 329.91
SSP	- 329.91
Total	\$5338.68

A SET OF ROSARY BEADS HAVE BEEN FOUND IN THE CHURCH. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO IDENTIFY THEM. WE HOPE TO GET THEM BACK TO THEIR RIGHTFUL OWNER.

A CLASS RING WAS FOUND AT THE CHURCH LAST SUNDAY. IF YOU HAVE LOST IT, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO IDENTIFY IT. THANK YOU.

PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT EVENINGS...The

The Vocation Office will be holding monthly Priesthood Discernment Evenings at St. Thomas Seminary (467 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield, CT) for men between the age of 18 and 55 who would like to get information about the Catholic Priesthood and meet with other men who feel God might be calling them to serve as a priest.

We will meet Thursday (11/20; 12/18) 6:00–7:30 p.m. Pizza will be served. Please call the Vocation Office at 860-242-5573 for more information.

OCTOBER 27 – 3:30 – 5:30PM – St. Anthony Boys - GYM
OCTOBER 27 – 6 – 8PM – Karate
OCTOBER 28 – 3 – 5:30PM – St. Joseph – Gym
OCTOBER 28 – 5:45 – 7:45PM – St. Anthony Girls – Gym
OCTOBER 29 – 3:30 – 5:30PM – St. Anthony Boys – Gym
OCTOBER 29 – 4 – 5PM – Reconciliation Class
OCTOBER 29 – 5 – 5:45PM – Older Children Sacramental Prep.
OCTOBER 29 – 5:45 – 7:45PM – St. Anthony Girls - Gym
OCTOBER 29 – 7PM – NA- Room 107
OCTOBER 30 – 1 – 2:30PM – Atrium
OCTOBER 30 – 3 – 5:30PM – St. Joseph Basketball - Gym
OCTOBER 30 – 4 – 5PM – Eucharistic Class
NOVEMBER 1 – 9:15 – 10:15AM – K – 4 & Reconciliation Religious Education
NOVEMBER 1 – 10:15 – 11:15AM – Eucharistic Class
NOVEMBER 2 – 10:30AM – 12:30PM - Men’s AA Meeting – Room 106

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE AND CRAFT

SHOW...IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING, NOVEMBER 7TH & 8TH. AS ALWAYS WE ARE IN NEED OF NEW AND HOMEMADE CRAFT ITEMS AND BAKED GOODS! THIS PARISH FUND RAISER IS ONLY SUCCESSFUL THROUGH THE KIND GENEROSITY OF SO MANY THAT GIVE OF THEIR TIME AND TALENTS! PLEASE CONSIDER SHARING YOUR TALENTS BY MAKING UNIQUE ITEMS FOR OUR SHOW!



ATTENTION AT LITURGY...We support one another’s faith by the kind of response we give to the Lord in our worship. That response needs to be active, alive, and enthusiastic. We make a difference to one another by the way we are attentive to what is happening at Mass. We can build one another up by the reverence we show. Eucharistic ministers certainly notice the reverence of people as they come to receive the Lord in communion. We can also weaken one another just by our inattention, our look of boredom, our non-participation. We have an effect on one another even when we don’t always know it. Our responses and actions during liturgy are part of our ministry to one another as members of the Body of Christ.



OPERATION SWEATERS FOR VETS...On November

11, 2014, Americans throughout the world commemorate Veterans Day, a day set aside to thank the nation's veterans for service given and sacrifices made to protect the freedoms of this great land.

Our Lady of Mercy has chosen to sponsor Newington Memorial and Burrill Hill Funeral Homes which has teamed up with Veterans and Family Memorial Care for "Operation Sweaters for Veterans," a unique way to honor these heroes. Beginning October 15, 2014 through November 15, 2014 OLM will be collecting new



or gently used sweaters, scarves and gloves in the marked plastic bins in the gathering room. These items will be donated directly to the veterans in VA hospitals and Veteran's Homes in central Connecticut. If you are able, a

thank you note or a card tucked inside the items you donate would mean so much to the veterans receiving these items.

We hope this small gesture of collecting sweaters and gloves for these veterans will help everyone remember the sacrifices they've made in the name of the United States of America.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION... is next weekend. It



is always the first Sunday of the month. Any type of nonperishable food or cleaning item is most welcomed. The OLM donations were 97 lbs. in June, 130 lbs. in July, 100 lbs. in August and 212 lbs. in

September. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED!!**

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER...

MARRIED COUPLES: Fall is a beautiful season full of color and crisp fresh air. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like autumn because it's a weekend full of fresh air, new beginnings and a time to rejoice in the beauty of your marriage and family. It's a great time to rekindle communication and enjoy some time away. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is, consider this weekend which is a positive, simple, common sense private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes marriage. A weekend away renews the romance and excitement you experienced during your dating days. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and God.

Upcoming Date: November 7-9, 2014. For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter or to register for an upcoming weekend, please contact Paul and Kim Gilbert at (860) 376-0440 or meweekend@gmail.com or visit www.wwme.org.

WORLD MISSION

SUNDAY... Thank you for your generous response to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

This generosity will reach the Church in Mongolia and local churches throughout the Missions, where the poor receive practical help and the experience of God's love.



ALL SOULS DAY... We take this day to remember all those loved ones who have died. Most parishes have a "Book of the Names of the Dead" in which parishioners can write the names of those they wish to have remembered. This book is usually placed near the Paschal Candle and remains there from All Souls Day through the month of November or until the beginning of Advent. Our Book is in the Gathering Space.

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ALL SOULS FEAST DAY... IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2. ENVELOPES FOR YOUR INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH.

ALL SAINTS DAY... On

this day we honor all the saints, not just those who have been officially recognized by the church through canonization. This honors Grandpa Fred and Aunt Mary and all the members of our families and others who are enjoying their eternal reward. These are the people we loved on earth and still do. They are the ones who have a special interest in us as their families left on earth. They are the perfect ones to pray to for assistance, so they can add their voices to ours.

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IF YOU ARE 18 OR OVER...and you are living with your parents, we ask that you please register yourself separately from your parents. You may use the form below to do so and we will send you a registration form. Thank you.

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 _____

PHONE _____