

December 28, 2014



# Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street

Plainville, Connecticut 06062

**Rev. John F. Brinsmade**

*Pastor*

**Dcn. Robert Berube**

*Deacon*

**Nicholas Drabik**

*Organist*

**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.

## How do I teach my children about the works of mercy?

Dear Padre,

I've been trying to teach my children about the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Any suggestions?

**It's easy to** teach young children about the works of mercy as long as you keep it simple and call their attention to what they're doing.

When they set the table and pour drinks, tell them they're feeding the hungry and giving drink to the thirsty. When they bring homework to a sick classmate, they're visiting the sick. If they go to a funeral, they're helping bury the dead.

When they make up with their siblings after a fight, they bear wrongs patiently and forgive all injuries. Siblings who help each other with their homework are instructing the "ignorant."

Children who soothe someone who's been hurt comfort the sorrowful. Praying for anyone, living or dead, is a spiritual work of mercy.

Listening when someone confides in them is counseling the doubtful. Talking a friend or sibling out of doing something wrong is admonishing the sinner.

As your children get older, volunteer as a family with organizations that build homes for low-income families and help the children of prisoners.

Performing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, whether for each other or with each other, will bring you closer as a family as well as closer to God.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR  
sundaybulletin@liguori.org

## Parish Office/Cemetery Office

19 South Canal Street, Plainville, Connecticut

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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  
DECEMBER 28, 2014 –The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**MONDAY**            December 29  
8:00AM            James Loughlin  
                              Req. His Cousin

**TUESDAY**        December 30  
8:00AM            Lucien Bordeau  
                              Req. Family

**WEDNESDAY**    December 31  
8:00AM            No Mass  
                              No Vigil Mass

**THURSDAY**      January 1 – Solemnity of Mary,  
                              the Holy Mother of God  
8:30AM            Agnes Mikulak  
                              Req. Mrs. Irene Squires & Family

10:30AM          Special Intention

**FRIDAY**            January 2  
8:00AM            Valier (Pit) Ouellette  
                              Req. M/M Reno Levesque &  
                              Family

**SATURDAY**      January 3  
8:00AM            Dolores A. Berarducci – Month  
                              Anniv.  
4:00PM            Ruth & Jack Healey  
                              Req. Angelo & Jackie

**SUNDAY**            January 4  
8:30AM            Parishioners  
10:30AM          Ellie Silverio  
                              Req. Sandra & Bob

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Regular	\$5482.00
Holy Day	1129.00
Catch Up	62.00
Cathedraticum	- 367.01
SSP	- 367.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5938.98</b>

***A HUGE THANK YOU!...The***  
*"Breakfast with Santa" was the best ever.*  
*The Parish Life Committee would like to*  
*thank all parishioners for*  
*supporting our breakfast*  
*with Santa & continued*  
*support of the monthly*  
*fellowship program.*



**WISHING ALL OF YOU A BLESSED  
AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR!**

DECEMBER 29 – 3:30 – 5:30PM – St. Anthony Boys – Gym  
 DECEMBER 29 – 6 – 8PM – Karate  
 DECEMBER 30 – 5:45 – 7:45PM – St. Anthony Girls – Gym  
 DECEMBER 31 – 3:30 – 5:30PM – St. Anthony Boys – Gym  
 DECEMBER 31 – 5:45 – 7:45PM – St. Anthony Girls – Gym  
 JANUARY 2 – 6 – 8:30PM – St. Joseph BB - Gym  
 JANUARY 4 – 10:30AM – 12:30PM - Men's AA Meeting –  
 Room 106  
 JANUARY 4 – 6 – 8PM – JOLT - Gym

**OLM HAS A NEW WEBSITE!!!!**...We have gone online! Go to [www.olmct.org](http://www.olmct.org) to find out



information of what events are taking place at our church. Also find out what programs there are available to get involved with, the latest Tweet the Pope has posted or read a homily. The website will constantly be updated with information; updated Catholic News has been posted from the Pope and Bishops on how to help stop human slavery. Please visit us online!!

**"WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT"**...in order to continue to have our Bulletins printed we need advertisers. 1. To memorialize a family member or friend, or to sponsor a short message, such as, "Thank you God for Watching over my Family," Jane Doe. Please call Mary Ziccardi for details as to cost and etc. at 860.747.5040. 2. For commercial ads, contact Helen Bergenty at 860.747.3905 for information. Thank you for your consideration.



***THERE ARE NEW  
BROCHURES TO EXPLAIN  
HOW TO ORDER A LEAF OR  
OTHER ITEM ON THE TREE  
OF LIFE THAT IS ON THE  
WALL IN THE GATHERING  
SPACE. PLEASE FIND THE  
GREEN COLORED BROCHURES ON THE  
WALL TO THE RIGHT OF THE TREE!***

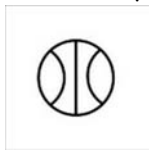
**FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**

Let us remember our neighbors in need!  
 Anything that you eat,  
 clean with in your home,  
 paper goods of all kinds  
 that you use and anything  
 you use for personal hygiene can be used by  
 those in need. Thank you!!



**SAVE THE DATE FOR FAMILY FUN DURING THE TIME OF THE WINTER DULDRUMS...**on

Saturday, February 21st, at 7PM, OLM is organizing a fun night out at the XL Center to see the HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS. Tickets will be discounted to \$20 from \$28 per person. For more info on the team,



please visit their website at [www.harlemglobetrotters.com](http://www.harlemglobetrotters.com). There are flyers/order forms for tickets at both major entrances to the church and

in the Parish Office. You may order tickets by mailing in or dropping the flyer and payment off at the Office. You may also drop your order and payment in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Globetrotters." Or you can print the form from our website under the events tab, double-click on Globetrotters and then click on the red address and the flyer will print. OLM is not providing transportation or parking for this event. If you know another family that is attending the game, please consider carpooling. What a great present for the whole family!!!!

**BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST...**

The Knights of Columbus Annual **Basketball Free Throw Contest** will be held on **Sunday, January 11, at 3:00 pm** in the **Parish Center**. The contest is for all boys and girls aged 9 to 14 (age as of January 1, 2015) and it's fun for the whole family to come out and watch the competition. Boys and girls compete each in respective age and gender divisions (for example, 9 years old girls compete against one another, etc.) and winners progress through local district, regional, and state levels. Thanks to the Knights members and especially sponsor **JR Heating and Cooling**, prizes will be given to each age group winner. Refreshments provided. **Parent permission is required for participation. Bring proof of age.** For questions, call Rich Dziura, 860-747-5451 for more information.



**NEW ENGLAND CHAMBER CHOIR – MUSIC**



**FOR CHRISTMAS...**Richard Wm. Donahue, Conductor, The 40<sup>TH</sup> Performance of Music for Christmas, Is THIS Sunday, December 28, 4:00PM in Our Lady of Mercy

Church. The performance will be preceded by half an hour of Instrumental Music. **Free Admission – Donations Appreciated.**

**FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY – JUSTICE**

**CHALLENGE:**...One of the most beautiful messages of Christmas is that of peace. The prophets of the Old Testament put their hope in a Messiah who would bring peace to a war-torn world. And that is what Jesus did. In the Incarnation, we experience God's desire for all human persons, for all families and communities, and for all of creation (even lions and lambs) to live in harmony with each other. The angels proclaimed "peace on earth, goodwill to all" at Jesus' birth. Your challenge during this Christmas Season is to be people of peace in your actions, words and thoughts. Can you make it through the week of peace in your actions, words and thoughts? Can you make it through the week without starting any fight or arguing with your family or co-workers? Can you share quiet moments of conversation instead of frantically running here and there? Can you rest peacefully in God's arms in your prayer time? What are ways you can be peace-makers instead of peace-breakers in your relationships during this special time of year?



**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 or you may download and print a form from the front page of our website. 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** \_\_\_\_\_