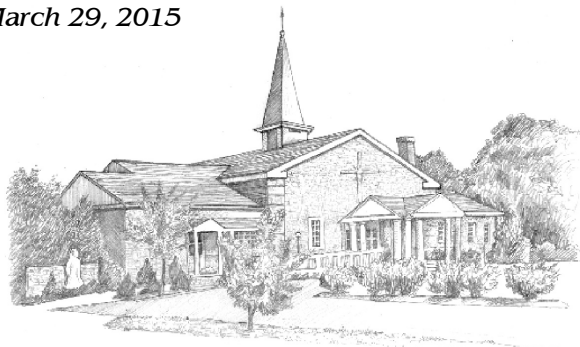


March 29, 2015



Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street

Plainville, Connecticut 06062

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Deacon

Nicholas Drabik

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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.

Who was at the Last Supper?

Dear Padre,

Jesus said to his disciples—not only to his apostles— “Do this in memory of me.” Were there more people at the Last Supper than the Twelve?

Scripture and Tradition teach us that prior to his arrest and subsequent crucifixion, Jesus wanted to celebrate the Passover meal in the company of his twelve closest disciples, the apostles.

Because there is no documented detailed guest list telling us once and for all who was in attendance, it's difficult to speculate on who else might have been present at the Last Supper.

We do know that the Last Supper is where Jesus instituted the celebration and sacrament of what we know today as the Eucharist. His command to “do this in memory of me” was made to his apostles and their successors so they would repeat this action in proclamation of the Lord's death for the world's redemption until he comes again (see 1 Corinthians 11:23–26).

It's a command the Church obeys whenever the faithful gather for the breaking of the Bread and what we now celebrate as the Eucharist or the Mass.

Therefore, the details of who was present at the Last Supper aren't as important as the fact that we continue to obey the Lord's command to do this in his memory to this very day.

FR. SCOTT KATZENBERGER, CSSR
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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
MARCH 29, 2015 – Palm Sunday of the Passion
of the Lord**

MONDAY	March 30
8:00AM	Della Gnazzo Mastrianni, Deborah Ann Colella & James Joseph Mastrianni Req. Family Confession
6:00PM	Confession
TUESDAY	March 31
8:00AM	George Kelsey Req. Family Confession
7:00PM	Confession
WEDNESDAY	April 1
8:00AM	No Mass
4:00PM	Confession
THURSDAY	April 2 – Holy Thursday
8:00AM	No Mass
7:00PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
FRIDAY	April 3 – Friday of the Passion of the Lord
8:00AM	No Mass
3:00PM	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
SATURDAY	April 4 – Holy Saturday
8:00AM	No Mass
10:00AM	Blessing of Easter Food (Gathering Space)
8:00PM	Easter Vigil
SUNDAY	April 5 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
8:30AM	Easter Sunday
10:30AM	Easter Sunday

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$4671.00
Monthly	75.00
Catch Up	53.00
Cathedraticum	- 263.95
SSP	- 263.95
Total	\$4271.10

EASTER EGG HUNT...will be held on April 5th following the 10:30AM Mass at the parish center, rain, snow or shine! The Easter Bunny will be on hand to distribute prizes and pose for pictures. Please bring a basket or bag to collect the eggs. All Children of the Parish up to and including 5th grade are invited to attend.



MARCH 30 – 6 – 8PM – Karate
APRIL 1 – 5 – 5:45PM – Older Children Religious. Ed.
APRIL 1 – 7 – 8:15PM – Confirmation I Class
APRIL 1– 7PM – NA – Rm. 107
APRIL 5 – 10:30AM – 12:30PM - Men's AA Meeting

PASSION PLAY TICKETS...The 37th annual St. Thomas Passion Play will be presented March 28th, 30th, 31st, April 1st and April 3rd. All performances start at 7:30PM except for Sunday the 29th which starts at 3pm. Tickets are free and are available while they last. For more information check our web site: www.st-thomas-play.org or contact: Diane 860-628-4197, Jean 860- 628-7913, Ginny 860-628-4628 or Lois 860-621-0411.



BELIEVE IT OR NOT...Spring is just around the corner, bringing with it our Spring tag sale scheduled for Friday And Saturday, April 24 & 25, 9AM - 4PM. Donations may be dropped off at the small garage behind the Rectory beginning Monday, March 23. Please hold any furniture donations until



Monday, April 20, when they may be brought directly to the Parish Center. As usual, we request no computers, magazines or televisions. We are always in need of help setting up the tag sale, especially Monday, April 20, as well as breaking everything down after 10:30AM Mass on Sunday, April 26. If you are able to lend a hand it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you. Confirmation students, this is a great way to get in some of your community service hours!

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE...There are two \$1000 OLM Memorial Scholarships, formerly known as The Guild of Our Lady Memorial Scholarships, available to graduating high school seniors furthering their education in the fall. Eligibility requirements: a registered, actively participating member of the parish.



Applications may be picked up in the parish office M-F, 9:30am ~ 3:30pm and must be returned by April 30th. **THE TRIDUUM (THREE DAYS)**...Holy Thursday brings the end of Lent. That night we begin the **Three Days** that are the center of our liturgical year. Please take a few moments to read the insert in this bulletin. Find out why these three days are so important. What do they mean for you? We invite you to make these three days different from all other days of the year!



ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2015...

Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the Appeal. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many Good Works of the Archdiocese. Every gift will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated.

MAGNIFICAT- A ministry to Catholic women invites all women of the parish to a breakfast on Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 9AM to Noon at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Bristol. Our speaker for this breakfast will be Dr. Lorraine Hartnett. The cost is \$25.00 and must be received no later than Monday, April 13, 2015.



Payment can be mailed to: Magnificat, PO Box 1871, Bristol, CT 06011-1871. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more information you may contact Ann Marie DeBisschop at 860-538-5319 or contact us at: motherofdivinemericyct@gmail.com.

A BIG THANK YOU...to everyone who attended the St. Patrick's Day Dinner. As usual, thank you to Gnazzo's for their delicious catered food. Thank you to Marge for leading us in our annual traditional Irish songs. The dinner could not have been a success without our local parishioners and community attending.



Thank you to the many hard working volunteers who helped before, during and after the dinner. Looking forward to a great time again next year!!!

SAINT JOSEPH AWARD...Each year Archbishop Blair recognizes one individual or couple from each parish in the Archdiocese of Hartford for their exemplary volunteer work. Without the help of many volunteers, the work of making the Reign of God more visible in our midst would be impossible. This year, from Our Lady of Mercy, the Archbishop bestowed the St. Joseph Medal of Appreciation to Leona Bisson during a prayer service at the Cathedral of St. Joseph last Sunday. We congratulate Leona and thank her for all that she does for OLM.



Archdiocese of Hartford Papal Visit Pilgrimage to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania... September 25-27, 2015

"It is very important to reaffirm the family, which remains the essential cell of society."

Pope Francis, World Youth Day 2013



Pilgrimage includes: roundtrip transportation with Premier Bus Lines; accommodations at 4-star hotel for two-nights; 2 breakfasts; 1 boxed lunch; and 2 dinners; conference with Fr. Juan-Diego Brunetta, O.P. about the family. Taxes and pilgrim kit are also included. Departure on September 25th is available from 1) St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield; 2) St. Bridget Church in Cheshire; or 3) Our Lady of Pompeii in East Haven. All buses will depart at noon. Mass with Pope Francis will be Sunday, Sept. 27. Visit www.archdioceseofhartford.org for itinerary, cost, and other details.

Deadline for registration is: April 15, 2015.

TWO CHANCES TO GIVE TO THE PLAINVILLE FOOD PANTRY...

A COLLECTION WILL BE HELD FOR THE PANTRY AT THE HOLY THURSDAY MASS AND ON EASTER SUNDAY AT ALL MASSES. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS!



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 Home page of our website at olmct.org. 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 _____