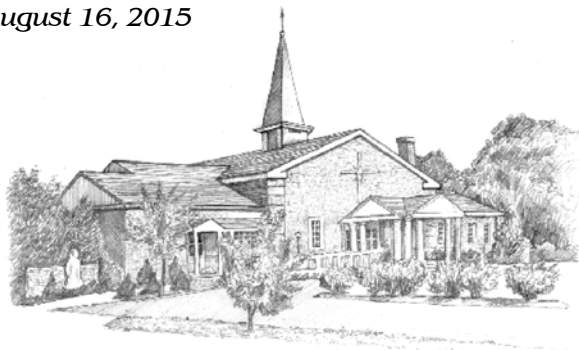


August 16, 2015



# Our Lady of Mercy

94 Broad Street

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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.

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.

## Should we baptize baby in intensive care?

Dear Padre,

Our grandchild was born prematurely and has been in intensive care for two months. Shouldn't someone baptize the baby? The priest and deacon won't do it. I feel as though they're playing with the baby's soul.

**Anytime a child** is born in imminent danger of death, it is permissible to get the child baptized. First of all, I must presume that the child's health is not so delicate that performing the rite might endanger his or her condition. If so, this might explain the hesitancy.

Second, I am presuming that the child's parents want baptism for their child. If so, they may express their desire to their parish at this time. Sometimes it is better if the parents initiate the conversation, as they largely bear the responsibility for the child's ongoing faith formation. If the child is eventually baptized at the hospital, stop by the pastoral care department or chaplains' office and ask for a certificate. This will serve as testimony to the parish and facilitate any necessary paperwork and preparations for a more communal celebration.

As far as the baby's soul is concerned, fear not. The Church maintains that innocents who, through no fault of their own, die without baptism are by no means separated from God or his kingdom. There are times and circumstances in which baptism is simply not possible, and a merciful, loving God would never separate these souls from himself or the possibility of eternal life.

FR. SCOTT KATZENBERGER, 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  
AUGUST 16, 2015 – Twentieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**MONDAY** August 17  
8:00AM No Mass

**TUESDAY** August 18  
8:00AM No Mass

**WEDNESDAY** August 19  
8:00AM No Mass

**THURSDAY** August 20  
8:00AM No Mass

**FRIDAY** August 21  
8:00AM No Mass

**SATURDAY** August 22  
8:00AM No Mass  
4:00PM Judith Cassidy Ford  
Req. Family

**SUNDAY** August 23  
8:30AM Parishioners  
10:30AM William Bernie Peters  
Req. Family

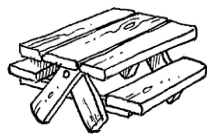
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Regular	\$4,397.00
Catch Up	408.00
Cathedraticum	- 264.28
SSP	- 264.28
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,276.44</b>

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIVE  
YOUR DONATIONS TO OLM  
BEFORE OR AFTER YOUR  
VACATION! WE STILL NEED  
TO PAY OUR BILLS WHILE  
YOU ARE GONE. THANK  
YOU!! HAPPY SUMMER!!!**



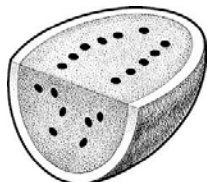
**OLM PARISH PICNIC**...Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>  
at Norton Park this year under the blue



pavilion with a play area for  
the children. Picnic will start  
at Noon. Join us for a day of  
good food, games for all ages  
and fellowship.

**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!**

**CHURCH PICNIC MEETING**...Tuesday, Aug. 25,  
6PM, Room 106. All are welcome to attend the  
meeting. A food sign up sheet  
will be available in the gathering  
space. Please bring your favorite  
yummy dish and share with  
others! Thank you.



**BLUEPRINTS**...It's amazing to  
think that, despite all that is going  
on in this busy world, God has a  
plan for each of us! He has given  
us a role in order to see His plan  
come to pass. In God's blueprint, what is your  
purpose and meaning in life? *Blueprints - Building  
our Lives on Him*, is a monthly program to be  
offered here at OLM, beginning in September.  
Who is God, what is *His Vision*, and Where am I  
in *His Blueprint*? Come, gather with other  
members of the parish to enjoy a meal, and  
explore your part. God created it just for you! No  
one else can do it! Workers needed! Apply  
within! **Information and registration  
following all Masses on August 22/23.**

**BURIAL RIGHTS & CREMAINS IN  
ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY**...THANK YOU

TO THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE RESPONDED TO THIS  
NOTICE. IF YOU HAVEN'T YET, THERE IS STILL  
PLENTY OF TIME. IF YOU HAPPEN TO HAVE A GRAVE  
PLOT IN OUR CEMETERY, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE  
AND PROVIDE US WITH THE INFORMATION AS TO  
WHOM YOU WILL BE LEAVING THE BURIAL RIGHTS TO  
AFTER YOUR PASSING. THIS NEEDS TO BE FOLLOWED  
UP BY A LETTER FROM THE LIVING OWNER SO THAT  
WE HAVE THE PROPER DOCUMENTATION; WHICH WILL  
BE KEPT ON FILE IN THE OFFICE. ALSO, EACH SINGLE  
GRAVE PLOT IS ALLOWED TO HAVE 3 CREMAINS  
BURIED ON TOP OF A CASKET. THAT IS WHY IT IS SO  
IMPORTANT FOR THE OFFICE TO HAVE THE NAME OF A  
SUCCESSOR WHO WILL BE ABLE TO DECIDE IF  
CREMAINS CAN BE BURIED IN A CERTAIN PLOT ONCE  
THE CHURCH AGREES TO THE BURIAL. CALL THE  
OFFICE FOR INFO.

**ALL LIFE IS PRECIOUS!** To

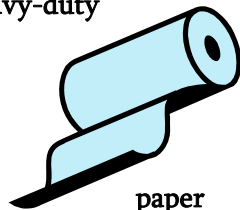
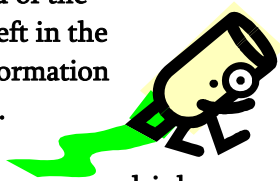
celebrate the children in the womb  
within our community, as well as their  
parents and family, we will be  
celebrating the new **Rite for the  
Blessing of a Child in the Womb** here at Our  
Lady of Mercy. The celebration will take  
place **during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday,  
October 4th**, and 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, 860-747-6825.



**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.



**RED SOX OR YANKEE FAN?...**The Life Long Faith

Committee would like to engage the entire parish to see which team's fans 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 23rd. 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 6<sup>TH</sup>!

Location will be at Norton Park beginning at Noon.

**DAY OF RECOLLECTION...**St.

Edmund's Retreat, Mystic, CT, Wednesday, August 26, 2015, 10 AM – 3:30 PM

**"COME TO THE WATER WITH MARY"**

Together we can reflect on the many images of Mary, especially in her appearances at Guadalupe, Lourdes and Fatima, which teaches us the value of her intercession for us with her son, Jesus. Includes two conferences, Mass, confessions, time to explore the Island and a hot served lunch. Please call 860-536-0565 to pre-register, St. Edmund's Retreat, Enders Island, Mystic, CT, \$50 Per Person.



**THE FIRST MARTYRS AS CHRISTIANS WERE...**

tortured, crucified and burned alive in the year 64 in Nero's gardens on the Vatican Hill. Several pagan writers and Pope St. Clement the First, who later was also martyred, attested historically to this persecution.

Persecution of Christians continues to this day. We acknowledge the conditions in the Middle East as well as the loss of religious liberty right here in our country as a result of government legislation. Archbishop Lori of Baltimore wrote a prayer to encourage all Catholics to speak out for religious freedom worldwide.

**Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty**

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society. We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith. Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome – for the sake of our children, grandchildren, and all who come after us – this great land will always be “one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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