

September 20, 2015



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9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Monday - Friday

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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.

Why do we call priests “father?”

Dear Padre,

Matthew 23:9 says, “Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven.” So why do we call priests “father?” And should we not be calling our male parents “father?”

When we look at the larger context of this passage, we find Jesus teaching his disciples about the virtue of humility, the importance of practicing what they preach, and not doing things just for show. When it comes to titles, we must remember that they do serve a legitimate function for distinguishing roles, showing respect, and fostering good manners. Jesus’ point is not that we shouldn’t call our own fathers or priests by the title “father,” but that we should realize that God has definite primacy in the role of father because he is our heavenly Father. In fact, our earthly fathers, whether biological, familial, or spiritual, exercise their role in imitation of the Father’s love. Their authority is something they have only because God has given it to them, not by their own right.

As God’s own children, we were all given as a gift to those who minister to us with parental care. Using “father” in association with priests recognizes their role and function as spiritual leaders and fathers in the Church. By no means does this detract from God’s role and primacy. Consider the priests’ role as an extension of God’s love and care for us, as we are all God’s instruments in the world.

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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
SEPTEMBER 20, 2015 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in**

Ordinary Time

MONDAY

September 21

8:00AM

**Edmund Dulac
Req. Family**

TUESDAY

September 22

8:00AM

**Theresa Bagliore
Req. Family**

WEDNESDAY

September 23

8:00AM

No Mass

THURSDAY

September 24

8:00AM

**Mary Kazokas & Pauline Raynock
Req. Marie, Joe & Ashley
Raynock**

FRIDAY

September 25

8:00AM

**Jennifer Lynn Petit & Dennis
Chapman
Req. Family**

SATURDAY

September 26

8:00AM

**Helen J. Biskupiak – 1st Anniv.
Joanne Macchio – 1st Anniv.
Mary Kazokas – 1st Anniv.**

4:00PM

**Joseph & Gisele Gagnon
Req. Family**

SUNDAY

8:30AM

Parishioners

10:30AM

**Noella & Gary Jackson
Req. Gloria & Jerry Gagnon**

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$5,106.00
Cathedraticum	- 280.83
SSP	- 280.83
Total	\$4,544.34

Second Collection Next Weekend is for the Catholic Elementary School HOPES Collection.

TRUNK O'TREATS...This year OLM would like to do something different for Halloween. To keep it safe for the children and build community among the parish we came up with the idea that parishioners could park in the Parish Center Parking Lot and give out goodies from their trunks! You can even decorate your trunk with pumpkins, etc. This event will be held on Saturday, October 31 from 6 – 7PM. You don't have to have little ones to participate. The more parishioners we can get involved the more community we can build and have fun while doing it! The Parish Center will be open so that the restrooms maybe used. More info to follow on the events page at www.olmct.org and in the bulletin.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 21 – 9AM – 4PM – Tag Sale Set Up
 SEPTEMBER 22 – 9AM – 4PM – Tag Sale Set Up
 SEPTEMBER 23 – 9AM – 4PM – Tag Sale Set Up
 SEPTEMBER 23 – 4 – 5PM – Reconciliation Class
 SEPTEMBER 23 – 5 – 5:45PM – Older Children Sacramento Prep.
 SEPTEMBER 23 – 7PM – NA – Room 107
 SEPTEMBER 24 – 9AM – 4PM – Tag Sale Set Up
 SEPTEMBER 24 – 1 – 2:30PM – Atrium
 SEPTEMBER 24 – 4 - 5PM – Eucharist Class
 SEPTEMBER 24 – 7PM – Pastoral Council Meeting – Room 102 – All parishioners are invited to observe.
 SEPTEMBER 25 – 9AM – 3PM – Tag Sale
 SEPTEMBER 26 – 9AM – 3PM – Tag Sale
 SEPTEMBER 26 – Tag Sale Clean Up at 3PM
 SEPTEMBER 27 – 10:30AM – 12:30PM – AA Men's Meeting – Room 107

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*? **Registration continues; call Jeanne at the office 860-747-6825.** 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? 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!



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 AM**



Mass on Sunday, October 4th, and includes a special blessing of the children in the womb and all those present following the Homily. Please contact the Parish office for more info, 860-747-6825.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING...will be held 9/24/15, 7PM, Room 102. Any member of the parish is invited to observe the meeting.

JOLT BOTTLE DRIVE...October 3, 9 – 11AM. If you'd like, you may drop off redeemable items in the JOLT shed behind the Parish Center anytime! 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. THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE DONATED SO FAR!!

BELIEVE IT OR NOT...This Monday donations may be dropped off at 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, September 21, as well as breaking everything down at the close of the tag sale at 3PM on Saturday the 26th. 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!**



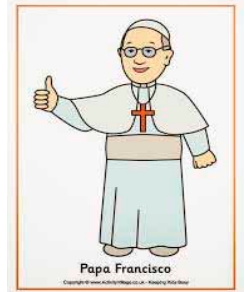
FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOHN...*I would like to clarify some important issues about Pope Francis' 01 September statement granting all priests the ability to forgive the sin of abortion in the coming Holy Year of Mercy beginning in December. This statement changes little or nothing for priests and the faithful in the United States. Almost all priests in the USA already have this permission which has been granted to them by their bishops. Pope Francis is extending worldwide what is already a common practice in the USA. People in the USA who have confessed this sin and have received absolution have absolutely nothing to worry about. The absolution they have received from their priest confessor is absolutely valid.*

8th ANNUAL CT CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE – "FAMILY MAN"...Saturday, 10/24, Goodwin College, East Hartford, CT, 8:30AM – 5PM, \$40 includes lunch. For more information and speakers, please call 860.484.7950 or visit www.ctcatholicmen.org. Tickets may be purchased online.



Walk with the Archbishop: Papal Pilgrimage 2015...So that we can experience Our Holy Father's first apostolic visit to America together as an Archdiocesan family, Archbishop Blair will keep a personal "Travelogue" of his experiences, impressions and inspirations as he travels to Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia, Sept. 22 – 27. The Archbishop will take part in this joyous occasion with more than 250 pilgrims from the Archdiocese of Hartford along with millions of worldwide participants. In real-time, you can read or hear the Archbishop's Travelogue at or on:

The Archdiocesan website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org and also where you can submit your intentions and/or access a Q&A with the Archbishop. The *Catholic Transcript* website www.catholictranscript.org. The Archdiocesan Facebook Page for daily updates and photos <https://www.facebook.com/ArchdioceseofHartford> WJMJ Radio, 88.9 FM, Hartford 93.1 FM, Hamden and 107.1 FM, New Haven. In addition to Archdiocesan communications channels, tune into Eternal World Television Network (EWTN) for ongoing newscasts www.ewtn.com. (Check your local cable schedule for specifics.) Look to the October 2015 issue of the *Catholic Transcript* for extensive coverage of the Papal Pilgrimage, including Archbishop Blair's Travelogue with photos.



POPE FRANCIS REMINDS US THAT THE BEAUTY OF THE CHURCH IS..."The presence of Jesus Christ among us." Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford take these words to heart and ensure that Jesus is connected into every aspect of a child's educational experience. Please help us provide students with a moral compass and an education in the faith by giving to the 2015 Catholic elementary school HOPES Collection next weekend. Your gift will make a positive impact on those who are the future of our Church!

RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE...10/17, Holy Angels Parish Center, 585 Main St., South Meriden, 9AM – 3PM. Registration \$25 per person, includes hospitality and lunch. For more info call 203.235.3822, X 402 or visit www.holyangelschurch.org.



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