

November 8, 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.

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 does *laicized* mean?

Dear Padre,

What does it mean when a priest or permanent deacon is *laicized*? Is that the same as being *excommunicated*?

Short answer: They are not the same. Once a man is ordained a priest or permanent deacon, he remains that forever. Nothing and no one can change that. However, through **laicization**, the Vatican can release him from the obligation of exercising his sacramental responsibilities. If he celebrates a sacrament anyway, it is valid, but not legal in the eyes of the Church (licit).

A priest or deacon can be laicized voluntarily or involuntarily. Regardless, he is still a member of the Catholic Church and participates fully in its sacramental life. **Excommunication**, however, is a penalty in which a person—lay, religious, or ordained—is no longer in communion with the Church or part of its hierarchy. He or she can no longer receive the Eucharist, but as a baptized Catholic (and child of God) may still attend Mass, pray for enlightenment, and seek to understand the truth of Catholic teaching. Excommunication is not a judgment made by the Vatican; it is automatic upon rejecting a fundamental doctrine of the Church. One does not “get” excommunicated; one excommunicates oneself. The Church may simply issue a statement stating that the person’s actions warranted this penalty if doing so will prevent or heal any existing scandal or benefit the public.

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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
November 8, 2015 – Thirty-Second Sunday in**

Ordinary Time

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>November 9</u>
8:00AM	Joe Gallo Req. John & Deb
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>November 10</u>
8:00AM	Marsha Hardy Brayne Req. John & Deb
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>November 11</u>
8:00AM	No Mass
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>November 12</u>
8:00AM	Tony, Max, Hugh & Jim
<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>November 13</u>
8:00AM	Sherry Labbe Req. Friends
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>November 14</u>
8:00AM	Edward Dombroski – 1 st . Anniv. Homer Drapeau – 1 st . Anniv. Roger Pegolo – 1 st . Anniv Clinton J. Martin – Month Anniv.
4:00PM	John Lucente Req. Daughter Sandi Tyminski
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>November 15</u>
8:30AM	Parishioners
10:30AM	Gerald Bard Req. Family

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$5,046.52
Monthly	124.00
Holy Day	5.00
Catch Up	77.00
Cathedraticum	- 288.88
SSP	- 288.88
Total	\$4,674.76

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- NOVEMBER 11 – 4 – 5PM – Reconciliation Class
- NOVEMBER 11 – 5 – 5:45PM – Older Children Sacrament Class
- NOVEMBER 11 – 7PM – NA – Room 107
- NOVEMBER 13 – 11AM – 5PM – Christmas Boutique
- NOVEMBER 14– 9AM – 3PM – Christmas Boutique
- NOVEMBER 15– 10:30AM – 12:30PM – AA Men’s Meeting – Room 107

Fr. John will not be collecting pumpkins this year! Thank you for your generosity in the past years!



Ever thought of becoming a Knight of Columbus? For more information contact Rich Dziura, 860-747-5451 or dzfam@att.net.

SHARING IS CARING!...The active phase of our fund drive to reduce our existing mortgage is coming to a close. As you have seen, the roofers have been working at the parish center since the beginning of November. The project will take three weeks to complete all of the outside work.



There are pledge cards at the main entrance of the church. If you haven’t yet made your pledge, please do so this weekend. We would like to thank every family that has made a sacrificial gift! Our Lady of Mercy parishioners continue to be known far and wide for their generosity to their parish.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE ...We are preparing for the Boutique and Craft Fair, **THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY!** We need your help



with donations of new craft items to be sold at the boutique. We appreciate your help. Items can be left at the Parish Office! We also need parishioners to bake their favorite goodies. Items can be dropped off the mornings of Nov. 13 & 14th. Thanks to all!



SAINT ANTHONY SOCIETY...would like to thank our friends and members for making this years cookie walk such a big success. Looking forward to your future support.



Remember our success is OLM’s success. All money raised is donated to the church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS

Members of 3rd degree Reverend Gerald T. Corrigan Council 3544 and 4th degree Rev. Francis Finn Assembly of the Knights of Columbus will gather at Mass on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, November 26, for our national day of thanks. This attendance will also be with great thanks for the memories of members who are no longer with us in this life as the council has requested. The Mass will be said for all the deceased members of the council. All members and their families are encouraged to gather as a group for Mass on this wonderful day of thanks.

SWEATERS FOR VETERANS

We will be collecting new & gently used Men's and Women's sweaters, scarves and gloves now **through Sunday, November 29th!** Please **note the date change.** If you can put a note of thanks in a sweater or two, that will cheer up the veterans greatly. OLM did that last year and the veterans are still talking about how much that meant to them!! There are labeled bins located in the gathering space that you can place your items in anytime the church is open. All items donated will go directly to veterans in this area. We hope this small gesture will help everyone remember the sacrifices they have made in the name of the United States of America and for our **Freedom** and a great way to say **THANK YOU!**



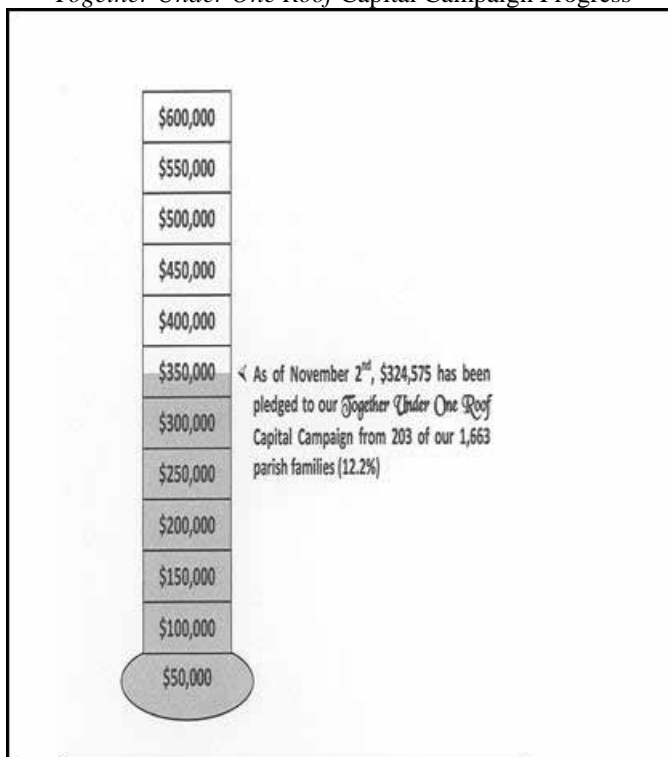
Little Boy's Explanation of God -- Fabulous!!!

It was written by an 8-year-old named -- Danny Dutton, who lives in Chula Vista, CA

EXPLANATION OF GOD

'One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die, so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesn't make grownups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way he doesn't have to take up his valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers and fathers.' 'God's second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like preachers and things, pray at times beside bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to the radio or TV because of this. Because he hears everything, there must be a terrible lot of noise in his ears, unless he has thought of a way to turn it off.' 'God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting his time by going over your mom and dad's head asking for something they said you couldn't have.' 'Atheists are people who don't believe in God. I don't think there are any in Chula Vista. At least there aren't any who come to our church.' 'Jesus is God's Son. He used to do all the hard work, like walking on water and performing miracles and trying to teach the people who didn't want to learn about God. They finally got tired of him preaching to them and they crucified him. But he was good and kind, like his father, and he told his father that they didn't know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said OK' And God did not let Jesus stay in the grave, but raised him from the dead. 'His dad (God) appreciated everything that he had done and all his hard work on earth so he told him he didn't have to go out on the road anymore. He could stay in heaven. So he did. And now he helps his dad out by listening to prayers and seeing things which are important for God to take care of and which ones he can take care of himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary, only more important.' 'You can pray anytime you want and they are sure to help you because they got it worked out so one of them is on duty all the time.' 'You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy, and if there's anybody you want to make happy, it's God! Don't skip church to do something you think will be more fun like going to the beach. This is wrong. And besides the sun doesn't come out at the beach until noon anyway.' 'If you don't believe in God, besides being an atheist, you will be very lonely, because your parents can't go everywhere with you, like to camp, but God can. It is good to know He's around you when you're scared, in the dark or when you can't swim and you get thrown into real deep water by big kids.' 'But...you shouldn't just always think of what God can do for you. I figure God put me here and he can take me back anytime he pleases. And...that's why I believe in God.'

Together Under One Roof Capital Campaign Progress



SAVE THE DATE ST. ANTHONY SOCIETY

MEMBERS...for the Christmas Party at Confetti's on Dec. 3 at 5PM. Information will be mailed soon. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Elaine at 860.747.2528.



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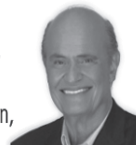
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