

January 31, 2016



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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 should spouses do if they are being abused?

Dear Padre,

I know Catholics whose spouses cheat and abuse them. What should they do?

If someone is in an abusive marriage, the Church would want, tell, and help that person to do whatever is needed to reach safety. The Church doesn't tolerate anyone staying in a place where physical or mental abuse occurs. Separation is often a first and necessary step. However, there is always hope for reconciliation. If a husband is abusive and his wife leaves, but then he seeks treatment and changes his ways, the Church would hope that the marriage could be saved.

The same is true for an adulterous spouse. If he or she is repentant and takes steps to change and make amends, the Church hopes for and encourages reconciliation. But if a spouse refuses treatment or continues the affair, the next step would be a civil divorce. Even after a civil divorce, there can be hope and reconciliation. It is only after separation and a civil divorce that the annulment process could begin.

It's important to remember that when a couple gets married they marry for better and for worse. This means there is a call, an expectation, to work things out, to forgive and to repair hurts, and not to rush a divorce. But to be sure, if you are dealing with addiction, abuse, or infidelity in your relationship, the Church supports your need to be secure.

FR. PATRICK KEYES, 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
January 31, 2016 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary**

	<u>Time</u>
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>February 1</u>
8:00AM	No Mass
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>February 2</u>
8:00AM	No Mass
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>February 3</u>
8:00AM	No Mass
<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>February 4</u>
8:00AM	Armando Cianchetti Req. Gino Cianchetti
<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>February 5</u>
8:00AM	Judy Bourque Req. Leona & Dale
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>February 6</u>
8:00AM	Frank Perez – Month Anniv. Geraldine Kordek – Month Anniv. Ruth Baker – Month Anniv. Helen Kahrmann – Month Anniv. Paul Drozd – 1st. Anniv. Concetta Vincenti – 1st. Anniv. George Reinwald – 1st. Anniv.
4:00PM	For the Intentions of M/M John Morehouse & Sylvia B. Snay Req. Catherine V. Trombley
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>February 7 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>
8:30AM	Parishioners
10:30AM	Lorraine Rouillard Req. John & Deb Hardy

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$4,938.00
Monthly	155.00
Holy Day	45.00
Catch Up	57.00
Cathedraticum	- 285.72
SSP	- 285.72
Total	\$4,623.56

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY...The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the Rosary in the church at 2PM **Today**. All are invited to pray to Our Lady for intentions. What a better way to start the New Year of Mercy than to come to Jesus' Mother to intercede for mercy.



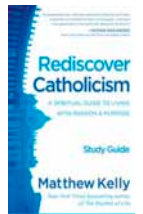
IF YOU MISSED MASS LAST WEEKEND DUE TO THE WEATHER, WE APPRECIATE YOUR DONATION THIS WEEKEND TO HELP US TO CONTINUE TO PAY THE BILLS. THANK YOU!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 1 – 6 – 8 PM – Karate
 FEBRUARY 2 – 8:30 – 9:30AM & 6:30 – 7:30PM – Rediscover Catholicism Book Discussion – Room 102
 FEBRUARY 2 – 6:30 – 7:30PM – Middle School
 FEBRUARY 3 – 4 – 5PM – Reconciliation Class
 FEBRUARY 3 – 5 – 5:45PM – Older Children Class
 FEBRUARY 3 – 7PM – NA – Room 107
 FEBRUARY 3 – 7 – 8:15PM – Confirmation I & II
 FEBRUARY 4 – 1 – 2:30PM – Atrium
 FEBRUARY 4 – 1PM – St. Anthony Society Meeting – Libray off of gym
 FEBRUARY 4 – 6:30 – 9PM - Amera Group BB
 FEBRUARY 6 – 9:15 – 10:15AM – K – 4 & Reconciliation Classes
 FEBRUARY 6 – 10:15 – 11:15AM – Eucharistic Class
 FEBRUARY 7 – 10:30AM - 12:30PM AA (Men's)
 FEBRUARY 7 – 6 – 8PM - JOLT

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU WISH TO HAVE A DONATION LETTER SENT TO YOU FOR YOUR TAXES!

Rediscover Catholicism Book Study... An OLM Parishioner wrote, "I've been reading it (Rediscover Catholicism) and find it very interesting, much food for thought. Like a lot of people, I tend to take my religion for granted. This is a nice little poke in the ribs." Groups are being held through February 23, Room 102. Choose either 8:30-9:30AM or 6:30-7:30PM. All adults who received a copy of Rediscover Catholicism by Matthew Kelly are invited to join a discussion group. This is a great read and we hope that you enjoy it. Those attending the book study are asked to read a portion of the book ahead, in preparation, as the study is a facilitator-led, discussion-based program. You do not need to attend every book study if your schedule does not permit it. Please attend when you can! Thank you.

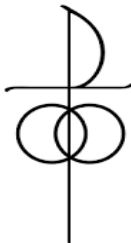


PRIOR to Session 3, Feb. 2nd: Chapters 6 - 11.
PRIOR to Session 4, Feb. 9th: Chapters 12 – 14.
PRIOR to Session 5, Feb. 16th: Chapters 15 – 18.
PRIOR to Session 6, Feb. 23rd: Chapters 19 – 21.

DIVORCE & BEYOND SUPPORT GROUP...Our Lady of Loreto Church Hall, 12 Ardsley Road, Waterbury, CT, 06708, Beginning on Wednesday, March 16th, 2016, 6:30PM. Register by contacting Barbara at: (203) 910-1561. Registration Deadline: 3/8/2016. ALL INQUIRIES ARE CONFIDENTIAL & WELCOME.

What does the Church say about Marriage, Love, Sex and Family?

The Franciscan Life Center is offering a two-day seminar on marriage, love, sexuality and family based on the Teachings of the Catholic Church. Individuals, groups, engaged and married couples are invited to attend this seminar on Saturday, 2/27/16, 8:30a.m. to 5:00p.m., and Sunday, 2/28/16, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at 275 Finch Avenue, Meriden. Presenters include: Sister Suzanne Gross, FSE, Administrator, Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care; Sister Barbara Johnson, FSE, Executive Director, Franciscan Life Center; Sister John Mary Sullivan, FSE, Program Specialist for the Life, Marriage and Family Office, Archdiocese of Vancouver, BC; married couples and individuals dedicated to this issue. Lunch is included both days in the \$65.00 per person charge. For more information contact Gretchen Rossi at (203) 237-8084 or visit our web site at www.flcenter.org or www.franciscanhc.org.



The Knights of Columbus along with parish community sponsor J&R Heating and Cooling, Inc. sponsored the local level of the 2016 Knights of Columbus International Basketball Free Throw Championship held January 17th at the OLM Parish Center. Prizes were awarded to all the winners thanks to JR Heating and Cooling's sponsorship.

Congratulations to the local contest winners:

- 9 Year Old Boys Division: ANTHONY SCHINKEL
- 10 Year Old Boys Division: MICHAEL BAKAYSA
- 11 Year Old Girls Division: MORGAN LEVESQUE
- 11 Year Old Boys Division: JACOB STANCZYKIEWICZ
- 12 Year Old Girls Division: RILEY GIBLIN
- 12 Year Old Boys Division: JACOB DEMMONS
- 13 Year Old Girls Division: GABBIE SCHINKEL
- 13 Year Old Boys Division: JAVAN PARADIS
- 14 Year Old Boys Division: RYAN SNYDER

THANK YOU for your continued generosity to the 2015 Archbishop's Annual Appeal: *Living the Joy of the Gospel*. In 2015, our archdiocese set an all-time record by raising over **\$10,573,357** from **43,963** devoted individuals and families. This is \$250,000 more than last year! In this great Jubilee Year of Mercy, let's continue to utilize the Archbishop's Annual Appeal as a way to open the doors of the Church to one another and our neighbors. In the upcoming months, please look for bulletin updates like this one or visit the archdiocesan website, Facebook, or Twitter pages for updates on projects funded by the appeal and the progress of the 2016 appeal.

ASH WEDNESDAY

MASSES...will be celebrated on 2/10 at 8AM & 6PM. Ashes will be distributed during Mass only.



LENTEN MATERIALS...will be available in the Gathering Space on the large table.



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION...is next weekend! Thank You!

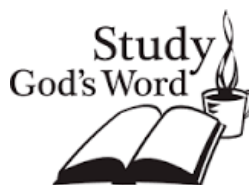
OLM LENTEN OFFERING...will be held for the Friendship Service Center of New Britain. The Center offers 37 beds for men, woman & children in their Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing for 15 single, homeless adults, and



apartments scattered throughout New Britain. OLM will be collecting toiletries for all of these facilities. Bins will be available in the Gathering Space for your donations. Some examples of items needed are: perfume, tissues, razors, shaving cream, deodorant, toothpaste & brushes, body wash/soap, shampoo & conditioner, feminine products, new or gently used backpacks & pocket books and any other toiletry item that you can think of. Any size of products is accepted. The bins will be available during Lent. Thank you in advance for your wonderful generosity.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE SERIES...Follow Jesus

during this season, which will focus on the Call of Discipleship in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount & explore the fulfillment of our Call with the Works of Mercy. During this Holy Year of Mercy, you are invited on the following Tuesdays of Lent: 2.16, 2.23, 3.8, 3.15, & 3.22 at 7PM, at St. Gregory Church in Rosary Hall, 235 Maltby St., Bristol. No pre-registration is required and all are welcomed!



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