

June 26, 2016



Our Lady of Mercy

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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 Catholic VBS is best

Dear Padre,

I want to send my daughter to Vacation Bible School at a nearby Protestant church. My husband insists we send her to a Catholic VBS across town. It's five half-days of fun and games—does it matter whether it's Catholic?

While it's true that much of VBS is games, crafts, and snacks, it's best for Catholic children to go to Catholic VBS because Protestant VBS doesn't include Catholic content like sacraments, saints, and practices.

A solid Catholic VBS program integrates well with the standard religion curriculum. The Bible lessons should have an *imprimatur*, and verses should come from a Catholic version of the Bible. Look for *Catechism* citations to see the teachings the program supports. The theme—a camp, a treasure hunt, the beach—is important but not as important as the content.

If no nearby parishes are hosting VBS, encourage your parish to do it next year. Many Catholic publishers (including **Liguori**) sell inexpensive starter kits with step-by-step instructions for planning and running a VBS as well as teacher materials, music, decorating ideas, and sample accessories. If parishioners donate art supplies, decorating materials, snacks, and prizes, the parish's overall cost is minimal.

A common challenge is finding enough volunteers. Sometimes several parishes pool their talent to offer one large VBS; others use teen or senior volunteers. If you do VBS right, you can engage your entire parish in teaching children about Jesus—and there's nothing more Catholic than that.

FR. RICK POTTS, 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.

June 26, 2016 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

MONDAY **June 27**
8:00AM **James Grady**
 Req. Leona Bisson

TUESDAY **June 28**
8:00AM **James & Justina Tella**
 Req. Brenda

WEDNESDAY **June 29**
8:00AM **No Mass**

THURSDAY **June 30**
8:00AM **No Mass**

FRIDAY **July 1**
8:00AM **Jennifer, Haley & Michaela Petit**
 Req. Family

SATURDAY **July 2**
8:00AM **John Senaldi – 1st Anniv.**
 Frederick F. Arena – Month
 Anniv.
4:00PM **Sydney Symolon**
 Req. Wife & Daughter

SUNDAY **July 3 – Fourteenth Sunday in**
 Ordinary Time
8:30AM **Parishioners**
10:30AM **Herbert, Helen & Linda Barber**
 Req. Family

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$4,350.50
Catch Up	293.00
Cathedraticum	- 255.39
SSP	- 255.39
Total	\$4,132.72

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 27 – 6 – 8PM – Karate – Gym
 JUNE 29 – 6 – 8PM – PARC – BB - Gym
 JUNE 29 – 7PM – NA – Room 107
 JULY 3 – 10:30AM – 12:30PM – Men’s AA Meeting
 – Room 107

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT 8AM ON MONDAY, JULY 4TH. THE PARISH OFFICE WILL ASLO BE CLOSED.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND!...



The children are home from school and eating their families’ out of house and home! Please be as generous as you always are! Thank you!

YEAR OF MERCY.....Are you searching for a way to serve others during this Year of Mercy? Once a month different groups from our Parish have been serving the clients of St. Vincent DePaul Shelter in Bristol which was founded by our late Pastor, Rev. Philip Cascia with the simple act of making sandwiches. Our Middle School Religious Education Class prepared sandwiches along with carrot sticks and cookies for the Mission last month. The Knights of Columbus prepared the sandwiches for June. We need parishioners who are willing to donate their time and/or sandwich supplies for July. We will make the sandwiches on Monday, July 11th. Please call Jeanne at the Parish Center for additional information.



Franciscan Land-Based Experiences and Youth Leadership...Location: Franciscan Life Center, 271 Finch Ave., Meriden, CT 06451, Time: 9:30AM - 3:00PM. Agnes 8 - 12, The Center is offering a week of land-based experiences, July 25 to 29, 2016. These outdoor experiences include confidence and team building games, campfire bread baking, creek and stream exploration, low ropes course experiences, service projects, sports, and crafts. Cost for this program is \$175.00 for the week. Scholarships Available. Visit www.flcenter.org to register or call (203) 237-8084.

Skillin’ and Chillin’ Mercy High School Summer Program 2016...

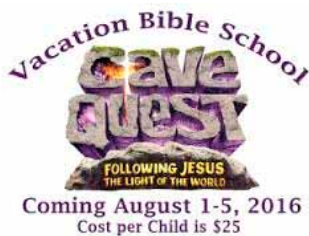


Programs and clinics are available for girls rising to 5th – 9th grades. All programs are held in July: Higher Achievement Program, Theatre Arts Program, Soccer Clinic and Basketball Clinic. Please visit www.mercyhigh.com for specific program information and online registration or call 860-346-6659 and request a brochure be sent to you.



MAGNIFICAT FOR WOMEN...All women are invited to the Magnificat breakfast to be held on Saturday, July 16, 2016, from 9 a.m. to noon at Doubletree by Hilton, Bristol. Registration begins at 8:30. Our guest speaker for this breakfast will be Colleen Rackley-Cuda. The cost is \$25.00 and must be received no later than Saturday, July 10. Payment can be mailed to: Magnificat, P.O. Box 1871, Bristol, CT 06010. No tickets sold at the door. For more information contact Ann Marie DeBisschop at 860-538-5319 or contact us at motherofdivinemericyct@gmail.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL...runs from August 1 - 5 from 9 to 11:30AM. The theme is Cave Quest where your child will discover how they can follow Jesus in their daily lives. Jesus is the one who lights our way and gives hope for each new day. The children will participate in memorable Bible learning activities, sing catchy songs, and participate in games and art and craft projects. Each day they will collect Bible memory Buddies to remind them of God's love and each family will get a music CD on Friday to continue the fun at home. The fee is \$25 per child. It is a first come first



served basis. Registration is limited, so register early to ensure a spot for your child. Please call Jeanne at the Parish Center for a registration form.

CATACHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD...The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a religious formation program that has its roots in Maria Montessori. Montessori believed that if you prepare the environment, children will learn. In 1954 Sofia Cavaletti used Maria Montessori's method of learning and developed materials that would bring children ages 3 - 5 to God in a very special way. It is a program based on scripture and the Mass, using hands-on materials to aid the children in learning more about God. The program is held in the Atrium on Thursdays from September to May, from 1 to 2:30pm. The Atrium is located in our parish center; we have a small altar, tabernacle, baptismal font, sample size



vestments and other specially designed materials that are meant for hands-on experiences. The program is open to children ages 3 to 5 on a first come, first served basis. Registration is for a yearlong commitment and is

limited to eight children. The fee for the year is \$25. Contact Jeanne at our Parish Center at 860.747.6825 for additional information and/or a tour of the Atrium.

SAVE THE DATE!...This year's OLM Parish Picnic will be on September 11, Noon to 3PM under the Blue Pavilion in Norton Park. More info to follow. Blessings for an enjoyable and safe summer.



LIVING EVERY DAY WITH PASSION & PURPOSE...Are you thriving or just surviving? Are you ready for more energy? A deeper sense of purpose? More joy? A clearer understanding of God's plan for your life? Join with others for Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose. It's not your typical church event! Dynamic Catholic speaker Matthew Kelly invites you to live each day fully, enjoying all that God has to offer. God created you for more! Several parishioners attended the Passion and Purpose event last fall and came away excited about their Faith and about life. How about you? Are you looking for More? Tickets are available for the next event in CT on September 17th, through the Dynamic Catholic website: <http://dynamiccatholic.com/events/passion-and-purpose/>. If you are interested in carpooling, please call the parish office and leave your name and number. Bernadette Violette is organizing names of 'drivers' and 'riders' to coordinate carpools to ease the ride. Take the step of Faith and go! It is a fun evening: good stories, good music, great speaker, and free items to bring home!

“GO FORTH. THE MASS IS ENDED.”...Wait a

minute, what happened to the recessional hymn? We used to always sing a hymn at the end of Mass. Now we sing a brief hymn after communion and nothing as the priest, deacon and other ministers leave the sanctuary. Why? The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) provides the basic instructions for how we are to celebrate Mass. Like most instruction manuals, once we've found a solution, we don't look at them again. Unless we encounter a problem, we generally stick to what we've found and don't go looking for any other information. The GIRM gives options for what we should sing at the Entrance, Offertory and Communion. What most people do not realize is that there is not any mention of or musical options given for a closing hymn at the end of Mass. What it does say, though, is, "When the distribution of Communion is finished, as circumstances suggest, the priest and the faithful spend some time praying privately. If desired, a psalm or other canticle of praise or a hymn may be sung by the entire congregation." GIRM #88 After the dismissal, the priest (and deacon) venerate the altar and withdraw. No mention of music or singing at this moment is included in the GIRM. After careful study and research on this issue we have changed the way we do the end of Mass here at Our Lady of Mercy. We have done this to be in conformity with the Church's liturgical documents.





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Location: Lincoln Park, NJ - just 30 minutes west of NYC 2-3 person Relays: \$105 thru 6/22
Race Day Registration: Individual \$100 Relay Team: \$120
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• Bike.....10 Miles (2 loops) Cash or Check only
• Run.....3.11 Miles - Online Registration will close on 6/22 -

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