

June 25, 2017



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.

Dear Padre,

Did Adam and Eve repent of their sin, and if so, were they forgiven?

Genesis 1—3 is written primarily to convey truths about God: God is good, loving, and provident; humankind was ungrateful to God and introduced evil into the world. However, despite humanity's sinfulness, there is still hope because of God's goodness and mercy. The Garden of Eden story is focused more on the loss of original holiness and the consequences of original sin than on repentance.

So while the Bible doesn't state that Adam and Eve sought repentance, we can know with certainty that God offered them forgiveness, and we can imagine that they probably repented. God restores humanity after the Fall through Christ's redemptive act and offers all of us forgiveness (see the Catechism of the Catholic Church, 410).

Christians believe that "the world has been established and kept in being by the Creator's love; has fallen into slavery to sin but has been set free by Christ, crucified and risen to break the power of the evil one" (CCC 421). Creation, therefore, already involves a re-creation in Christ, the eternal Word of the Father. Christ, the "New Adam," who amends for the disobedience of Adam, becomes the point toward which creation's history is directed.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church asks: Why did God not prevent the first man from sinning? "St. Leo the Great responds, 'Christ's inexpressible grace gave us blessings better than those the demon's envy had taken away.'...And the Exsultet sings, 'O happy fault, ...which gained for us so great a Redeemer!'" (CCC 412).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

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.

June 25– Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY

June 26

8:00AM

Robert Miliski

Req. Dale & Leona

TUESDAY

June 27

8:00AM

Grazia Ettorre

Req. Malcolm Soucie Family

WEDNESDAY

June 28

8:00AM

No Mass

THURSDAY

June 29

8:00AM

Tina Albert Downey

Req. Marie Albert & Sister

Debra

FRIDAY

June 30

8:00PM

Al Kazokas

Req. Joe, Marie & Ashley

Raynock

SATURDAY

July 1

8:00AM

Albert M. Soli, Jr. – 1st. Anniv.

Carmela Russo – Month Anniv.

4:00PM

Maria Cianchetti

Req. Gino Cianchetti

SUNDAY

July 2 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM

Parishioners

10:30AM

Merderick & Jeanne Pelletier

Req. Gloria & Jerry

Gagnon

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$4,257.50
Monthly	30.00
Holy Day	20.00
Catch Up	260.00
Cathedraticum	- 251.21
SSP	- 251.21
Total	\$4,065.08

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 26 – 6 – 8PM – Karate - Gym

JUNE 28 – 7PM – NA – Room 107

JUNE 29 – 6 – 8PM – PARC - Gym

JULY 2 – 10:30AM - 12:30PM – Men’s AA – Room 107

MERCY HIGH SCHOOL'S 2017 THEATER

ARTS PROGRAM...Creative and interactive musical theater experience that will focus on Musical Theater performance, special effects makeup and costuming. For girls rising to 6th, 7th 8th, and 9th grade. Monday July 24 – Friday, August 4, 9AM – 3PM. Register www.mercyhigh.com

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MERCY HIGH SCHOOL'S 2017 HIGHER ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM...Academic Skills, Sports, Crafts, Arts, Community Service for girls rising to the 7th & 8th Grade. Monday, July 10 – Friday, July 21, 9AM – 3PM, Register at

www.mercyhigh.com



Franciscan Land-based Summer Experiences and Youth Leadership...

This summer the Franciscan Life Center is offering two sessions of the Franciscan Land-based Summer Experiences for children between the ages of 6 and 12, and one session for Youth Leadership Training, for young people 13 and 14 years of age, on the campus of the Franciscan Life Center, 271 Finch Avenue, Meriden, CT 06451

Dates:

Franciscan Land-based Experiences - June 26 – June 30, and July 24 - 28, 2017

Youth Leadership Training - June 26 - June 30, 2017

Call 203-237-8084 or visit flcenter.org for more information.

OUR LADY OF MERCY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL...

July 31 – August 4, 9AM – 11:30AM, Ages 3 to 10. Our theme this year is Maker Fun Factory. The children ages 3 to 10 will participate in memorable Bible learning activities, sing catchy songs and make a daily craft. Each day they will collect a Bible memory Buddy to remind them of God's love and each family will receive a music CD on Friday to continue the fun at home. The fee is only \$25 per child for the week. Registration is limited. Since many of the children return each year we suggest you register early to ensure a spot for your child. Please call Jeanne at OLM Parish Office at 860.747.6825 for a registration form.



Just a reminder, in an effort to distinguish our older servers from the younger ones and to encourage them to continue to serve as they do grow older, we vest any high school Altar Server in a different vesture. Any young man or woman who continues to serve after completing the eighth grade wears the traditional black cassock and white surplice at Mass. The boys and girls in eighth grade and below will continue to wear the white monastic alb. It is our hope that this recognition will express our appreciation for their dedication and commitment to this ministry.

AN AGE OLD YEAR ROUND GARDEN...Plant ten rows of PEAS: Prayer, Penance, Piety, Prudence, Presence of God, Promptness, Performance of Duty, Perseverance and Perfection.

Then plant ten rows of SQUASH: Squash indifference. Squash selfishness, SQUASH temptations. SQUASH uprisings of passions. SQUASH bad thoughts. SQUASH unkindness and disrespect. SQUASH cowardice in mortification. Squash inordinate love of luxury and ease. SQUASH the traps of the devil.



And then plant ten rows of LETTUCE: Let us be faithful in watching, Let us be instant in prayer. Let us be courageous in penance. Let us be kind and generous. Let us restrain our eyes. Let us guard our tongue. Let us bear up in silence. Let us temper our temper. Let us crush excessive self-will. Let us bolster our resolutions.



And finally plant ten rows of TURNIPS: Turn up for your morning prayers. Turn up for daily Mass and Communion. Turn up for meeting. Turn up with kindness for others. Turn up with sleeves turned up. Turn up with regularity. Turn up on time. Turn up with zest. Turn up with a smile!

ONE MUST ALWAYS REMEMBER... THAT the Mass is the center of Catholic Life. It expresses, celebrates, and strengthens our union with Christ and one another. It is the focal point of everything we believe, everything we do and everything we hope for. While in church it is essential that one take the time to be thoughtful, be silent, and be reverent, for it is the house of God. Church is a no no zone for: cell phones, we ask that you silence your phone or leave it in the car. Chewing gum, we ask that you place your gum in a wrapper and discard it in the wastebasket. Talking in church, before Mass and during Mass., we ask that you keep in mind that your brothers and sisters in Christ are praying.



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