



Our Lady of Mercy Parish

16 Baboosic Lake Road Merrimack, NH 03054

**All Are
Welcome!**

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - 4:30 PM
Sunday - 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM
Mon, Tues, Wed, and Fri - 8:30 AM
Holy Days - 8:30 AM
and anticipated vigil - 7 PM

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Sacraments

Baptism for infants is usually celebrated on the last weekend of the month. Please contact the office for more information about baptism and the other **Sacraments of Initiation**. For the celebration of **Marriage**, 6 months notice is necessary.

Mission Statement

Our Lady of Mercy Parish, founded in 1954, is a Roman Catholic community that shares in the life of Jesus Christ, obedient to the Father, and guided by the Holy Spirit. As a faith community, our mission is: to celebrate the sacraments and to proclaim the Word of God; to minister to the spiritual and temporal needs of our parish through prayer, works of charity, personal witness, education, and evangelization; to welcome all people to active participation in our parish community; and to preserve the faith of Church amidst a changing world and diverse social climate. We commit ourselves to this mission, under the patronage and protection of Mary, Mother of Mercy, with faith, hope and love in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

May 1999

Reconciliation

Confessions are available on Saturdays at 3 PM and by appointment.

Outreach and Home Ministry

Please contact the office with your needs.

Parish Office/Rectory: 424-3757 Faith Formation Office: 424-4477
Website: www.olmnh.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 29th

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30PM: Maria Conceicao Silva req by the Silva family

Sunday, June 30th

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM: Maurice & Ronald Pichete req by their sister
Pauline

10:30AM: Salvatore Rotolo req by Jenni Corbett

Monday, July 1st

St. Junipero Serra, Priest

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: For the intentions of the celebrant

Tuesday, July 2nd

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM Lorraine Savoie req by the Parish Staff

Wednesday, July 3rd

St Thomas, Apostle

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: For all parishioners

Thursday, July 4th

NO MASS

Friday, July 5th

St Elizabeth of Portugal

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Carol Sylvia req by Karen Correia

Saturday, July 6th

Vigil: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30PM: Victor, Katie & Vito Mastrorocco req by
the Dennis Von Eron family

SUNDAY, July 7th

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM: Don Olson (10th anniv) req by his wife and
for all parishioners

10:30AM: Ora Paris, Gertrude Szargowicz, Shirley
Clark & Stephen Szargowicz

Laws of Love

St. Paul has a unique vision of freedom. We often think that freedom means I can do what I want without interference from an outside source, such as a bureaucracy or a dictator. For most Americans, it means being able to take care of myself and my family, hopefully without having to pay too much in taxes. We usually associate that with the "pursuit of happiness" without thinking too much about what happiness is. What makes Paul's idea unique is that his vision of happiness means serving one another in love. For Paul, freedom is not so much being free from oppression as being free to love and serve those around us.

What would stop us from loving others? It could be fear: "I'm not sure I would be able to do any good. I'm afraid of going into a bad neighborhood to help the homeless. I fear that if I were more generous to the poor (church, Red Cross, life issues, etc.), I would not have enough for my family." Or it could be attachment to possessions or even to our family--the man in the Gospel wasn't free to follow Jesus because he thought it meant leaving his family behind. Paul talks about another kind of freedom when he says that following the Spirit means freedom from the Law (Galatians 5:18). He was not talking about ignoring the speed limit or pirating DVDs. He meant people who were obsessed with keeping all the laws and customs that were part of the Jewish tradition. It would be like someone who goes to Mass on Sunday only because he doesn't want to break a Church law, or someone who drives the speed limit only because he doesn't want to pay a fine. Taken to an extreme, you would have to memorize every law on the books to be sure you did not break one. The freedom of the Spirit is a life lived out of love. A person would go to Mass out of love for God; a driver would obey the speed limit to protect other drivers. As long as we love one another, we wouldn't have to worry about breaking the law, for God's laws are all examples of how to love one another.

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP

weekend of June 22/23rd: \$4570.00

Thank you!

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of June 29 through July 5th is lit in memory of **Maureen Murray**.

If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit in memory of or for the intentions of a loved one, please call the parish office at 424-3757.

**DO YOU HAVE A NEED?
DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WOULD
LIKE TO DONATE?**

You will find the “Our Lady of Mercy Community Binder” in the main entrance of the church. If you have something that is still in good condition but you no longer have a use for it and would like to see it go to someone who can utilize it, please write the item along with your phone number in our Community Binder and someone who may have a need for it can contact you.

Are you in need of something? Write that item down in the “Binder” along with your phone number and if someone has that item and no longer have a need for it they will be able to contact you.

**ENROLL YOUR CHILDREN AT
ST. CHRISTOPHER’S SCHOOL IN NASHUA**

It’s not too late to enroll at St. Christopher School for the Fall and give your child the education he or she deserves! St. Chris offers an outstanding and affordable Catholic education personalized to every PreKindergarten through grade 6 student. Students excel academically through an innovative curriculum supported by traditional, proven methods. Kindness, morals and personal responsibility are nurtured in every child and reinforced by the school’s caring community. Tuition is one of the lowest in Nashua and financial assistance is available. Sound like a perfect fit for you child? Schedule a private tour this summer by calling Jackie Langenfield at 882-7442, ext 114 or email her at jlangenfield@stchrisschoolnh.org. Visit the school’s website at stchrisschoolnh.org for more information.

OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Parish Office:

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Faith Formation Office:

Monday, Tues, Wednesday: 9am to 3:00 pm
Thursday: 9am to 12 noon
Friday: CLOSED



**SUMMER FOOD DRIVE—LAST WEEKEND
SUPPORTING OUR
LOCAL FOOD PANTRY**

**SCHOOL IS OUT
WE KNOW HOW MUCH KIDS CAN EAT!**

To take part in this food drive...



- Purchase a non perishable item
- return it to the Church on the weekends of June 22/23 and 29/30th
- place it in one of the boxes at the entrances of the Church marked Food Drive

Some items you might consider purchasing

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| Mac & Cheese | Canned spaghetti sauce |
| Jelly | Low sugar cereals |
| Spaghettios | Canned Tuna |
| Canned fruit | Canned Chicken |
| Granola bars | Canned Baked Beans |
| Popcorn | 100% juice boxes |
| Juice boxes | Paper Towels/Toilet paper |
| Nuts | Canned vegetables |

**WEEK-LONG GUIDED RETREAT
with Sr. Marion Scranton
August 11-17, 2019
Mystic, Ct**

Bread for the Journey

This guided retreat will use the metaphor of bread and bread making as we grow into God. This is a “recipe” in our life that leads toward God that includes: the ingredients, preparation, sifting and shaping needed to progress to the final product. Sessions will include prayers, free interaction and creative space.

Private Room ...\$620.00 per person
Six nights: check in is a 7:00 pm. Departure at 1:00 pm

Register online at www.enders.is/bread

**JOIN US FOR OUR
4TH ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**

***Will be taking place on Sunday, August 11th
from 12 noon to 4:00 pm at the American
Legion on Baboosic Lake Rd***



This is a great time for the members of our parish family to get together and enjoy one another's company and have a good time!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

More information to follow.

**Our Lady of Mercy
120 Club**

The Ladies Guild thanks you for your support of the 120 Club. In the past profits have been used to refurbish or replace items in the church and church offices. We also support Catholic Charities, the parish outreach at both Christmas and Easter, our seminarians, Community Hospice House, the Food Pantry and other charities as the need arises.

The cost to join the 120 Club is \$1.00 a week for 20 weeks for a total of \$20.00 at sign up. The first drawing will take place on August 4th. Each week 2 winning numbers are drawn for a prize of \$25.00. On the twentieth week, eight numbers will be drawn. The first number will be the Grand Prize of \$250.00; 2nd numbers is \$100.00; the 3rd and 4th numbers will receive \$50.00 each and the next four numbers will each win \$25.00. Winners will receive their checks in the mail.

Members of the Ladies Guild will be at the church doors on the weekend of July 20/21st to assist in selecting your numbers. Please help support this fundraiser that benefits so many charities and the needs of our parish.

SUNDAES ON SUNDAY

It is good for members of the Merrimack Faith Community to get to know each other...to become friends, for we have so much in common. To continue to foster the ground of fellowship, St. James Methodist Church is hosting our 2nd annual Sundaes on Sunday. This is an event where various Merrimack Churches, including our own, will pool their talent and resources for a fun afternoon. We had such fun last year, it is being held again by popular demand.



St. James Methodist Church will host the event on July 21st at 3:00 pm. A hymn sing will begin at 3:00 pm followed by make your own sundaes. Mark Your Calendars. All are invited to join in this unified community event! Hope to see you there.

Do you want to become initiated into the Catholic faith? Have you never been confirmed? We will have 4 sessions this summer for all who are interested in Christian initiation. July 10, 24, August 7, and August 28 in the Parish Center at 7 PM. All are welcome.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of
Alec Bronchuk.

In Memoriam

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family of Alec. We pray that the God of compassion be with you during this time of sorrow and that He welcomes Alec into His eternal kingdom of peace.

Online Giving



We are always looking for ways to be better stewards of the financial contributions you make. Online giving allows us to reduce administrative expenses and at the same time to offer parishioners a safe, secure and convenient way to manage your financial support. There are many benefits to online giving.

- * conveniently manage your weekly offering
- * start, stop and change your contributions at any time
- * set up recurring contributions or make a 1 time donation
- * help the parish streamline our cash flow

Please consider online giving by visiting our parish website at www.olmnh.org and selecting the Online Giving Link. If you need assistance, call the parish office at 424-3757.

Information Page

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Bulletin for June 30, 2019

Kathy

NOTE: Beginning next weekend we will be publishing the bulletin every other week for the summer months. Please see the schedule listed below.

Weeks of July 7th and July 14th will be submitted June 28th

Weeks of July 21st and 28th will be submitted July 16th

Weeks of August 4 & 11 will be submitted July 30th

Weeks of August 18th and 25th submitted August 13th

Thank you!