



Whoever believes in **Him** will not be condemned.

JOHN 3:18

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Our Lady of Mercy Parish June 4, 2023



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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:30PM
Sunday 8:30AM & 10:30AM
Weekdays Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri 8:30AM
Holy Days 8:30AM and anticipated vigil 7:00PM

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00-3:45PM
By appointment: please call the office to schedule with Fr. Paul.

Baptism

Please call the office for an appointment. Baptisms are usually planned for the last weekend of the month.

Marriage

Please contact the office to schedule marriage preparation with Fr. Paul.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is a process for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of themselves becoming a Catholic.

Funerals

The contact person for the deceased (or the funeral home) should connect with the office to schedule.

Planning ahead for funeral Mass celebrations is also available to all parishioners.

Faith Formation

We offer Faith Formation for all ages. Please see the website for current dates and programs.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00AM-3:00PM

Church Hours

The church will be locked for safety. You are welcome to spend time in the church for prayer during office hours! Please come into the office and someone will be happy to let you into the church.

Live streaming available at olmnh.org

The 4:30pm vigil Mass is live streamed. View by going to the website at www.olmnh.org.

Sanctuary Candle

Please contact the office to have the sanctuary candle lit in memory of, or for the intentions of, a loved one.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 3rd

Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity

4:30PM: Timothy Dwyer req by the Dwyer family

Sunday, June 4th

The Most Holy Trinity

8:30AM: Beverly Soucy requested by the Soucy family

10:30AM: Carol Hauver req by the Hauver family
For all parishioners

Monday, June 5th

Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Keith Boyer requested by Barbara Lantiegne

Tuesday, June 6th

Saint Norbert, Bishop

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Janet Segedy req by Bruce & Janet Angus

Wednesday, June 7th

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Stephen Vollmer

For the healing intention of Leonard Steiner

Thursday, June 8th

No Mass

Friday, June 9th

Saint Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Ferdinand Bouchard

Saturday, June 10th

Vigil: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

4:30PM: Ena Burgess req by Ray & Rose Graham
For all parishioners

Sunday, June 11th

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:30AM: Ray Edmonston requested by Art Caron

10:30AM: Andrew & Violet Ogiba req by the family

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle burns
June 3rd – 9th in memory of
Ken Beaupre.



Please pray for our recently deceased

Elizabeth "Liz" Lochman, May 18

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and
the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

We Welcome our Newly Baptized!

Baptized in May:

Charlotte Duncan

Riley Garon

Benjamin Hicks

Everett Lanning



"There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism."

-Ephesians 4:5

Thank you Lord for making me a living temple
of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you for the water of my baptism through
which You have given me new life in Christ.

Amen!

Readings for the Week: June 4, 2023

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-4, 5-6; Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a;
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10;
Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8;
Mk 12:38-44

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15,
19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58



FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1-12 Upcoming Dates

• **Faith Formation Registration:** Stay tuned for registration information for the 2023-24 school year for grades 1-12!

Solemnities, Feasts, and Ordinary Time

Solemnities

A solemnity is the highest Church celebration. There are 24 on the annual liturgical calendar. They recall and glorify an important event in the life of Jesus and the most significant mysteries of Faith: Christmas, Epiphany, Easter (Easter Octaves including Divine Mercy Sunday), Pentecost, Holy Trinity, Ascension, Corpus Christi, Sacred Heart, Christ the King. There are solemnities associated with the Blessed Mother: the Immaculate Conception, the Assumption, the Annunciation, and Mary Mother of God. Some saints are acknowledged with a solemnity: St. Joseph, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, Saints Peter and Paul, and All Saints Day.

The celebration begins with evening prayer on the day before and if it's also a holy day of obligation, has a vigil Mass. If the solemnity falls on a weekday, the daily Mass looks much like a Sunday liturgy.

Feasts

Feasts typically honor a special saint. Important events in Christian history are also identified as feasts: the Baptism of the Lord, the Conversion of St. Paul, the Transfiguration, the Visitation, the Presentation of the Lord, the Holy Family, the Birth of Mary, the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome, the Holy Innocents, the Triumph of the Holy Cross, and the Chair of Peter.

Ordinary Time

All parts of the Church's liturgical year not included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter fall into Ordinary Time. The period is called "ordinary" not because it is common, but because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered or "ordered." The numbered weeks of Ordinary Time represent the ordered life of the Church: the period in which we live our lives in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.



God Sent His SON to Save the World

John 3:16-18

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next however, are designated as solemnities: special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our Faith. Today on Trinity Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons.

Today's Gospel is from the beginning of John. The passage we read follows Jesus's conversation with a Pharisee, Nicodemus, about what it means to be born of both water and the spirit. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night and acknowledges Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus tells him that only those who are

born from above will see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus misunderstands and questions how a person can be born more than once. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. Jesus is essentially explaining Baptism, which we now celebrate as a sacrament. Yet Nicodemus, we are told, still does not understand what Jesus is saying. Jesus testifies to the need to be born from above so that one might have eternal life.

After the dialogue with Nicodemus, the author of the Gospel offers his own explanation of Jesus's words. This is what we read in today's Gospel, John 3:16-18.

In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the reading calls our attention to the action of God, who reveals Himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God the Father out of love for the world, sent His Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as God of love; He does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that He has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Parish Happenings: the Week Ahead

Baby Bottle Collection: continues to June 18 to benefit St. Gianna's Place

Prayer Group: Mon., June 5 from 4:00-5:30pm, church

Knitting Ministry: Thursday, June 8 from noon to 2:00pm, parish office building

Men of St. Joseph: Saturday, June 10 at 7:00am; hall

Organ Recital: Saturday, June 10 at 1:30pm; church

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Parish Stewardship

May 20 & 21 \$6,667

Ascension Thursday: \$802

Catholic Communication Campaign: \$725

Meatball sub fundraiser: \$1,292

Thank you for your generosity!



Thank you for your support of the NH Catholic Appeal! Donations may be made at www.catholicnh.org/nhca or with the envelopes in the pews at church.

Hot DogZ to End ALZ And Puzzles for a CauZe

Thursday, June 22, 2023

11:00am to 7:00pm

8th annual Hot DogZ Sale

Rain or shine

Let's put our passion to good work on **The Longest Day**, a national event honoring those who face Alzheimer's Disease with strength, heart and endurance. We will do what we love to do in order to raise funds and awareness.

Puzzles for a CauZe will be selling gently used jigsaw puzzles at this event. This is a great opportunity to pick up a few new challenges from children's to 2,000 piece puzzles.

All proceeds will go to the MA/NH Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

Questions may be directed to Bob Bergin at 603-494-9835 or oldbergin@gmail.com.

OLM Organ Recital



Music director Christian Copeley invites you to an organ recital showcasing his dedicated and talented OLM students on **Saturday, June 10 at 1:30pm** in the church. Hope to see you there!

120 Club Winners

Week 14

Dick Debelis

Anne Cunningham

Congratulations and thank you for your support!

The Holy Trinity

The central mystery of Christian faith and life is the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity. Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit [CCC 44].

The Church expresses her trinitarian faith by professing a belief in the oneness of God in whom there are three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The three divine Persons are only one God because each of them equally possesses the fullness of the one and indivisible divine nature. They are really distinct from each other by reason of the relations which place them in correspondence to each other. The Father generates the Son; the Son is generated by the Father; the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son [CCC 48].

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