

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2023

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The Celebration of the HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday Vigil (Saturday): 4:00 p.m. – Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Daily Mass: 8:00 a.m. (*No morning Mass on Wednesdays*)

The Sacrament of RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 12 Noon or by appointment

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NEW Hours: Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., *afternoon by appointments only* Parish email: olmct@sbcglobal.net Parish website: www.olmct.org

Born as a Mission of Bristol in 1864 and Established as a Parish in 1881

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH!

If you are new to the area or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are pleased to have you share in our celebration of the Eucharist. We invite you to become part of our parish family. To register or to update your address or phone number, please complete this form and mail it to the Parish Office or place in the collection box. *Thank you.*

New Parishioner	Address/Phone Number Change
Name:	
Address:	Phone:
City:	State:Zip:

"Do whatever He tells you."

- Mary to the disciples of Jesus (John 2:5)

Mass Schedule for This Week

Saturday, September 2nd, Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Woman's Club of Plainville

Noon Confession

Vigil of Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 p.m. William "Bernie" Peters requested by Family

Sunday, September 3rd, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. For the People of Our Lady of Mercy 10:30 a.m. Nick Ruffini requested by Family

Monday, September 4th, Labor Day 8:00 a.m. Linda Bordeau requested by Leona

Tuesday, September 5th, Weekday 8:00 a.m. James & Theresa Bagliore requested

Wednesday, September 6th, Weekday No Mass

Thursday, September 7th, Weekday 8:00 a.m. Steve Carter requested by Leona & Dale

Friday, September 8th, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Pauline Casey & Stella Kunicki requested by Rose Hyjek

8:30 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Adoration & Benediction

Saturday, September 9th, USA: Saint Peter Claver, Priest

8:00 a.m. Month's Mind: Conrad Ouellette 1st Anniversary: Paul Mangiafico

Noon Confession

Vigil of Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 p.m. James & Lena Parente requested by Mary Ann & Peter Giola

Sunday, September 10th, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. For the People of Our Lady of Mercy 10:30 a.m. James Wishart requested by Mom & Dad



Offertory: \$5,538.⁰⁰

Labor Day

Probably all of us have worked a lot of hours. Some for gainful employment, others as caregivers for loved ones, and some in service to their communities. How does our work relate to faith? How we work needs to be in a godly fashion. Our work is one of the primary venues for us to bring the faith into the world. Our world needs the Lord, **DESPERATELY**. When they see you, they need to see Christ. They need it for their sake and you need to do it for yours.

Wherever we are in our lives occupationally, recreationally, educationally, hobbies; you are required to bring the faith into a place so desperately starving for the faith. Anything or place where you are in life, God allows you to be there. The entirety of our lives, needs to be for Christ. You and I will be judged in part for what we did with our lives in His service.

Things today are pretty far from God. Fortunately he has an amazing prayerful strikeforce ready to bring the world to Him. You!

Praise be to God.

Father Dawson

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

We need more Eucharistic ministers, **ESPECIALLY** for **Sunday Masses!**



People are needed who are living in accord with the teachings of the Church, to help distribute our Lord. You may be asked to help bring the Eucharist to a few of the home bound.

We would be very happy to teach you. It is a wonderful honor and as with all

functions in our church your help is appreciated!



Please use the Donation Boxes at the Entrances of the Church. Thank You for Your Continuous, Generous Support & May God Bless You!

Annual Parish Picnic:

Please join us on **September 10**th at Our Lady of Mercy Parish center/grounds for our annual OLM

picnic. The fun begins at 12:00 p.m. and will go until 4:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$5.00 for adults which will cover everything, children under 12 will be free. There will be many

activities for children and adults: bingo, games, basket raffle, 50/50, and water balloons. *Please purchase tickets after masses or office*. You can also sign up if you would like to volunteer or bring an item. *Please no parking in parish center*

Tag Manager

parking lot on September 10th. Bring your tickets to the picnic. If you would like to **donate items** or a **full basket** please get it to the parish office before **September 7**th.

Book Discussion: Mark Your Calendars!

Father Dawson will be starting a Book Discussion Session starting on Thursday, October 5th at 6 p.m. in the Timothy Room in the Parish Center. The first discussion will be on the book: "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist". More information to follow in the bulletin later this month.

Legion of Mary Curia:

The Legion of Mary Curia will be meeting Thursday, September 7th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 102 in the Parish Center.



Parish Choir Returns!

Choir resumes singing at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 10th. Rehearsals take place at 9:30 a.m. and immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. There is plenty of room in the loft for more singers (*experience unnecessary*). For more information, see Eric after any weekend Mass or call the office at 860-747-6825.

Parish Office Closed for Labor Day:



The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, September 4**th in celebration of **Labor Day Weekend**. The office will be open for business on Tuesday, normal hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Enjoy your Holiday Weekend!

The Tabernacle Lamp:

is lit for the Greater Glory of God and in recognition of the Real Presence of Christ. This week the candle is flickering in Memory of:

Rose Anderson

Requested by Bob & Judy Anderson



Prayer & Worship Committee:

The next Prayer & Worship Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7th at 7 p.m. in Room 101 in the Parish Center. If you would like to become a member of this committee, please join us!

St. Anthony's Society:

St. Anthony's Society will begin their **2023-2024 Season** with a Pizza Party Meeting on Thursday,
September 14th at 6 p.m. in Room 102
in the Parish Center. If you would like
to become a member of St. Anthony's
Society, come and enjoy some pizza
and meet the group!

Annual Parish Tag Sale:

It is time for our OLM Annual Tag Sale to be held on September 22nd & 23rd!

We will be collecting items for the tag sale behind the OLM Rectory where the Priest's garage is located on **Sept. 5**th. Please understand that this year items such as books, dishes, glasses, large electronics, and clothing will not be accepted.

Any **furniture items** can be delivered starting on **Sept. 21**st. Please contact Bill to make the arrangements. (*see below*)

Tag sale will begin on **Friday**, **Sept**. **22**nd at 9 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. The first 3 hours will have **\$1** admission cost.

People who want to rent tables on Sept. 23rd to sell their own items, can reserve them for **\$20 each**. Please contact Bill to make the arrangements. (see below)

On **Sunday**, **Sept. 24**th, anything that did not sell will be available for a donation to the church from **9 a.m.** to **12 p.m.** Any questions, call Bill Brayne, Knights of Columbus Chair of the

OLM Tag Sale at 860-729-7397 or the OLM Parish Office at 860-747-6825.

Please remember the recently deceased members of our Parish in your prayers:

Yvette Albert: Dorothy Baxter; Gloria Hyland

Month's Mind: Sergio Sciucco

1st Anniversary: Diana Lynn Beere; Stephen Bruno;

and Candito Caccoccia

"Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O' Lord"

New to the Our Parish?

If you are new to our parish and wish to become a member of Our Lady of Mercy, please register and we invite you to introduce yourself to our Pastor, Fr. M. David Dawson.

Registration can be completed by calling the Parish Office at 860-747-6825, filling in the short form on the front of the bulletin and dropping it in the donation box in the church or by mailing it in to the office: 19 S. Canal St., Plainville, CT 06062.

You can also drop by the Parish Office during the normal business hours to register, or by completing a short registration form which can be found by clicking the button New Here? at www.olmct.org then click Welcome!

Please return the hard copy to the office by mail, dropping it off in person, or putting it in the collection box in the Church.

Sacrament of Baptism:

We look forward to welcoming you and celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism of your child. You may begin preparation even before your child is born. To begin the process, call the Parish Office at

860-747-6825. The date of the Baptism is scheduled after attending the Parent Preparation Program. Please note that Godparents must be confirmed and obtain a Sponsor Certificate from their own Catholic parish. Once you begin the process, Teresa Burkard will contact you with the information.

St. Lucian's Residence:

Their Huge Charity Furniture Sale will be held on Saturday, September 9th from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located in the garages behind the Marian Heights Building at 314 Osgood Ave., New Britain. Quality used furniture, all types, indoor & outdoor. All proceeds benefit the residents of St. Lucian's Residence. Any questions, please call Gail at 860-667-3367.

Scripture Study Special Schedule:

Due to Monday being Labor Day, the two Scripture Study Groups will both meet on Tuesday, Sept. 5th.

Study Group 1 will meet that particular day at 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

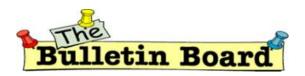
Study Group 2 will meet that same day at 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the evening. Both groups will meet in the **Timothy Room** in the **Parish Center**, located in the Gymnasium. It usually runs for about an hour and a half. All are welcome to attend. They discuss the scriptures from that Sunday's Mass. If you are looking for a closer relationship with the Lord, come to the study.

"And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you". Luke 11:9

For more information or questions, please call the Parish Center at 860-747-6825 during normal business hours.



"The mystery of love is that the more you give, the more remains in your heart."



Saturday, September 2nd & September 9th 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. AA: "Back to Basics Group", Room 103

Sunday, September 3rd & September 10th 10:30 a.m. AA, Room 103

Monday, September 4th **OLM Office is Closed in** Celebration of Labor Day Weekend



Tuesday, September 5th

9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Scripture Study Group 1, Timothy Rm, Visitors are always welcome to join!

6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Scripture Study Group 2, Tim. Rm, Visitors are always welcome to join!

Wednesday, September 6th & Fri., Sept. 8th No Activities Scheduled

Thursday, September 7th

6:30 p.m. Legion of Mary Curia, Room 102 7:00 p.m. Prayer & Worship Committee Meeting, Room 101

Director of Religious Education:

We have had some unexpected happenings regarding our religious education program. In order to regroup and try to give the best experience for the proclamation of the faith to our youth, there will be a delay. I apologize for the inconvenience. Please feel free to follow up with the office, given that there have been significant personnel transitions and some information may have fallen between the cracks.

After the liturgy, nothing is more important than conveying the faith to our youth and to those without it. I beseech you to pray for our youth and our religious education program. Your prayer is essential to the successful transmission of the faith. The enemy especially attacks the bastions of faith, but with prayer and obedience to Christ; the side of God will always triumph. Please help in what ways you can, and most especially please pray for our religious education.

Next Sat. & Sun. Mass Schedules

Eucharistic Ministers:

- Saturday, September 9th at 4 p.m.:
 Bob & Judy Anderson
- Sunday, September 10th at 8:30 a.m.: Leona Bisson; Sarah Cassidy
- Sunday, September 10th at 10:30 a.m.: Jessica Murzyn; Charlene Smith

Lectors:

• Saturday, September 9th at 4 p.m.: Marge Rio



 Sunday, September 10th at 10:30 a.m.: Rob Michalik; Lori Consalvo

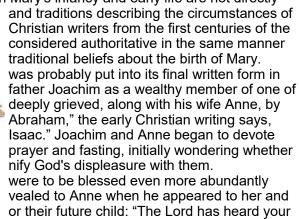
The Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Catholic Church celebrates the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne. The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life are not directly

recorded in the Bible, but other documents her birth are cited by some of the earliest Church. These accounts, although not as the Bible, outline some of the Church's

The "Protoevangelium of James," which the early second century, describes Mary's the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Joachim was their childlessness. "He called to mind "that in the last day God gave him a son themselves extensively and rigorously to their inability to conceive a child might sig-

As it turned out, however, the couple than Abraham and Sarah, as an angel reprophesied that all generations would honprayer, and you shall conceive, and shall



bring forth, and your seed shall be spoken of

in all the world." After Mary's birth, according to the Protoevangelium of James, Anne "made a sanctuary" in the infant girl's room, and "allowed nothing common or unclean" on account of the special holiness of the child. The same writing records that when she was one year old, her father "made a great feast, and invited the priests, and the scribes, and the elders, and all the people of Israel."

"And Joachim brought the child to the priests," the account continues, "and they blessed her, saying: 'O God of our fathers, bless this child, and give her an everlasting name to be named in all generations' . . . And he brought her to the chief priests, and they blessed her, saying: 'O God most high, look upon this child, and bless her with the utmost blessing, which shall be for ever." The protoevangelium goes on to describe how Mary's parents, along with the temple priests, subsequently decided that she would be offered to God as a consecrated Virgin for the rest of her life, and enter a chaste marriage with the carpenter Joseph.

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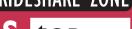
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