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**Pentecost Sunday
June 8, 2025**

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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 Mondays & Wednesdays*)

The Sacrament of RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 12 Noon or by appointment

Rev. M. David Dawson, *Pastor*

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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: Administration@olmct.org

Parish website: www.olmct.org

Facebook: [OurLadyofMercyPlainville](https://www.facebook.com/OurLadyofMercyPlainville)

*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, June 7th Easter Weekday
8:00 a.m. Lisa Mullennix requested by Friends
12:00 Noon Confessions
4:00 p.m. Mass for the People of Our Lady of Mercy Parish
Sunday, June 8th Pentecost Sunday
8:30 a.m. Julie Freeman requested by Bonnie
10:30 a.m. Frank & Jessie Stawski and Elaine Stawski Rich requested by Ron & Lois Jablonski
Monday, June 9th The Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church
6:00 p.m. Dr. Karen Hook requested by the Hook Family
Tuesday, June 10th Weekday
8:00 a.m. Carol Accousti requested by Mary Ann
Wednesday, June 11th St. Barnabus, Apostle
8:00 a.m. No Mass
Thursday, June 12th Weekday
8:00 a.m. Lucien Soucy requested by Daughter
Friday, June 13th St. Anthony of Padua, Dr. of Church
8:00 a.m. Mass for St. Anthony requested by the St. Anthony Society
8:30 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday, June 14th Weekday
8:00 a.m. Georgianna Hoffman requested by OLM Office Staff
12:00 Noon Confessions
4:00 p.m. Mass for the People of Our Lady of Mercy Parish
Sunday, June 15th The Most Holy Trinity
8:30 a.m. Arthur Faucher requested by Fran Cyr
10:30 a.m. Anthony J. Dlugoszewski requested by Daughter and Family

Next Sat. & Sun. Mass Schedule

Saturday, June 14th at 4:00 p.m.: Bernice Wright, Sarah Cassidy
Sunday, June 15th at 8:30 a.m.: Francine Walko, Leona Bisson
Sunday, June 15th at 10:30 a.m.: Jessica Murzyn, Lidia Onisto
Monday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m.: Leona Bisson
Lectors:
Saturday, June 14th at 4:00 p.m.: Carolyn Martin
Sunday, June 15th at 8:30 a.m.: Cathi McQueeney
Sunday, June 15th at 10:30 a.m.: Janice Gauvin
Monday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m.: Francine Walko



The Bulletin Board

Saturday, June 7th
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AA, Back to Basics, Rm. 103
Sunday, June 8th
10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon, AA, Rm. 103
Monday, June 9th
9:30 a.m. Legion of Mary, Rm. 102
6:30 p.m. Scripture Study, Rm. 102
Tuesday, June 10th
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Scripture Study, Rm. 102
Wednesday, June 11th No Activities
Thursday, June 12th No Activities
Friday, June 13th
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. ARC. Blood Drive
Saturday, June 14th
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AA, Back to Basics, Rm. 103
Sunday, June 15th
8:30 a.m. After Mass: Coffee & Donuts
10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon, AA, Rm. 103



Prayer for Our Country

Our Lady of the Americas, be pleased to protect our country from the dangers of war, greed, prejudice and injustice. Help all who live in this great land to serve God faithfully, to respect His holy laws, to care for each other, and to reach out with love, caring and charity to our brothers and sisters who are most in need. Grant that we may all live together in peace. Amen.

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Offertory Amounts Given:

May 18, 2025: \$5,038.00
May 26, 2025: \$5,038.00
June 1, 2025: \$5,038.00

Please place your Donations in the offertory baskets during the Mass. Thank you for your generous support. May God Bless You!

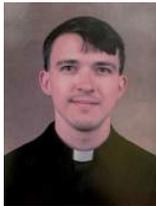


Invitation:

*Saturday, June 21, 2025
Cathedral of Saint Joseph
Hartford, CT*

*You Are Welcome and Invited
to attend the Ordination of the
Priesthood of:*

*Rev. Mr. Martin Chouinard
Rev. Mr. Mitchell Kendrioski*



*Cathedral of Saint Joseph
140 Farmington Avenue
Hartford, CT 06105*

**No Confessions or Morning Mass
on Saturday, June 21, 2025**

Father Dawson is attending the Ordination of the Two New Priests. No other priest will be available.

**Confessions for this day will be held on
Friday, June 20th at 6 p.m.
instead of Sat., for this week only.**

Sorry for the inconvenience.



**The Legion of Mary meets on Mondays in
the Parish Center at 9:30 a.m. in Room 102**

The Legion of Mary is open to men and women who would like to join us in our ministry. Do you have a couple of hours in the week to do Mary's work? Come and see what we are all about. One of our ministries is to visit the homebound of our parish. If you know of a homebound parishioner who would like a friendly visit, please contact the church office with their name and phone number.



BOOK DISCUSSION:

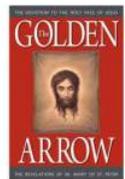
"THE GOLDEN ARROW"

Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6 p.m.

A book discussion will begin on Tuesday nights starting in June. We were able to get the books on sale for \$5 per book. We have copies in the office for sale.

For more information on the book, visit:
www.tanbooks.com

Come Join the Discussion!



What is a Vocation Anyway?

A vocation is simply a path in life to which we are called by God, in order to build up His kingdom here on earth. It is God's precious gift to each of us and the surest most direct way to a joyful life. Why? Because God's plan for us is woven into the fiber of who we are. Each and every one of us receives a vocation from God! There are many types of vocations to which Catholic Christians are called; the holy priesthood is but one important calling. Other types of vocations include becoming a deacon or a religious sister/brother, married/family, or single life. Our vocation is a consecration to God to live out our unique call to holiness. Our desire is always to love and serve God thereby making him known to the world.

**How is God calling YOU
to serve Him?**



Prayer to Mary for Our Vocation

O' Mary, Virgin of the Word made flesh in your womb, help us to be open to the Word of the Lord, so that, having been welcomed and mediated upon, it may grow in our hearts. Help us to live, like you, the beatitudes of believers, and to dedicate ourselves with unceasing charity to evangelizing all those who seek your Son. Grant that we may serve every person, becoming servants of the Word we have heard, so that remaining faithful to it, we may find our happiness in living it. Amen. www.sistersofcharity.com



“TRUST IN THE LORD”

2025 ARCHBISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

- ◇ We would like to thank all of the pastors and parish staff, for your continued support of the 2025 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal, Trust in the Lord. We would also like to THANK the more than 22,000 generous donors that have pledged over \$7,400,000 to the 2025 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal, but there is still time to help us reach our goal!
- ◇ The Appeal Office has delayed the mailing of Request Letters 3, 4 and 5, each by 2 weeks. The letters are now scheduled to mail May 29th, June 25th & July 25th.
- ◇ **SAVE THE DATE!** We are once again planning Parish Secretary & Office Assistant Retreats. There are multiple options for those working in the parish offices to attend.
 - Wednesday August 20th at Saint Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Terryville**
 - Monday, August 26th at Saint John Bosco Parish, Branford**
 - Wednesday, September 3rd at the Pastoral Center, Bloomfield**

We have an excited, informative day planned, more information to come!
- ◇ The Archbishop’s Annual Appeal is thrilled to announce we are participating in the Travelers Championship Birdies for Charity Program. Here’s how it works: Donate to Archbishop’s Annual Appeal through the unique, PROCESSING FEE-FREE, Birdies for Charity link, & Webster Bank will add a 15% bonus to your donation -- at no extra cost to you, or us! Donors can make a 115% difference today through June 22nd by donating or using the QR Code.
- ◇ Visit the Archdiocese of Hartford website: www.archdioceseofhartford.org
- ◇ http://partnerhq.com/public/events/2025-travelers-championship-birdies-for-charity/organization_partnerships/4477

Archbishop’s Annual Appeal: Vicariate Outreach Program: “Trust in the Lord”

In the spirit of stewardship of the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal initiated the Vicariate Outreach Program in 1997. The Program offers support to local organizations that, by their efforts, are a meaningful extension of the mission of the Catholic Church and her teachings.

The Archdiocese and the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal, has received broad acclaim for sharing more than \$21M over the previous 27 years of this effort. With the support of all parish households, we remain enthusiastic about continuing this vital outreach Program this year as well.

If you desire to suggest a worthy local charity for funding by the Vicariate Outreach Program, please contact the parish office. An outreach program of this scope requires following a time-tested process. If you make a suggestion it will be reviewed and considered for nomination; not all suggestions will become nominations as funds are limited. Please be sure to include as much information on the program as possible. Parish nominations are reviewed and confirmed by the Archdiocesan Vicariate Outreach Committee.

Thank you for your concern and generosity!

2025-2026 New Students

St. Matthew School welcomes new students in Pre-K3 through 8th Grade for 2025-2026! While we currently have openings in all grades, Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 are approaching a wait list. For more information, reach out to Kate in our **School Office** at **860-583-5214** or learn more and begin the process online at www.smsct.org



Annual Scholarship Banquet

The **New Britain Council of Catholic Women** will hold their **Annual Scholarship Banquet: Baltic Restaurant, Kensington on Thurs., June 19th**. A plated dinner with entree choice will be served. **Cash bar at 5 p.m.; Dinner at 6 p.m.** To sign-up or for any questions contact Sharon Kron at 860-834-6284 by June 16th.



THE GIFTS & FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- ♦ **CCC 1830:** The moral life of Christians is sustained by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These are permanent dispositions which make man docile in following the promptings of the Holy Spirit.
- ♦ **CCC 1831:** The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are **wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord.** For all who are led by the Spirit of God...If children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs of Christ.
- ♦ **CCC 1832:** The fruits of the Spirit are perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory. The tradition of the Church lists twelve of them: **“charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity.”**



Why do we celebrate The Blessed Virgin Mary as, Mother of the Church?



The theological roots of this title go back to the early Church. The Fathers of the Church, holy and studious bishops of the first centuries, often spoke of Mary as the New Eve. Just as the Woman Eve was “the mother of all the living” (*Genesis 3:20*), the Woman Mary was the mother of all those living in Christ. In Revelation 12:17, St. John says that this Woman’s offspring are “those who keep the commandments of God and bear testimony to Jesus.”

The popularity of the specific expression “Mother of the Church” grew especially in the 20th and 21st centuries. In 2018, Pope Francis added a feast day under this title for the Monday following the solemnity of Pentecost is considered the birthday of the Church.

In 2025, the Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church is celebrated on June 9, 2025.

(For more information: www.missions.ewtn.com)



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

Linda Jambard
Annie P. Ruane
Barbara Graff

*“Eternal Rest Grant
 Unto Them, ' Lord.”*



Bulletin Submissions Deadline:

All submissions for the bulletin must be in two weeks prior to when you would like your ad to run. All committee chairs please take note. Call the office at 860-747-6825 or send an email: bulletin@olmct.org or administration@olmct.org
Thank you and God Bless!

The Tabernacle Lamp:

is lit for the Greater Glory of God in Recognition of the Real Presence of Christ
 This week the candle is flickering for the Memory of: **Anthony Dlugoszewski**
 Requested by: **Family**



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