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**27th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
October 5, 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

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*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: _____

Would you like to receive weekly envelopes? Yes No

“Do whatever He tells you.”

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



Mass Schedule for This Week

Saturday, October 4th St. Francis of Assisi
 8:00 a.m. Barbara Orsie requested by Friends
 12:00 Noon **CONFESSIONS TODAY**
 4:00 p.m. Marion & David Drezek requested
 by Karen & Anthony Casale

Sunday, October 5th 27th Sunday Ordinary Time
 8:30 a.m. Mass for the People of
 Our Lady of Mercy Parish
 10:30 a.m. Helen & Robert Schultz and
 James J. Davis requested by Davis Family

Monday, October 6th Weekday
 6:00 p.m. Sylvia Hernandez requested
 by Connie Ferriera & Friends

Tuesday, October 7th Weekday
 8:00 a.m. Jeanne Albert requested by
 the Levesque Family

Wednesday, October 8th Weekday.
No Mass Today

Thursday, October 9th Weekday
 8:00 a.m. Edith Procko requested by
 Mr. & Mrs. Doucette

Friday, October 10th Weekday
 8:00 a.m. **No Mass Today**

Saturday, October 11th Weekday
 8:00 a.m. Jo & Dom Forcella requested
 by their Children
 12:00 Noon **Confessions Today**
 4:00 p.m. Manuel Custodio requested by Family

Sunday, October 12th 28th Sunday Ordinary Time
 8:30 a.m. Mass for the People of
 Our Lady of Mercy Parish
 10:30 a.m. Jeffrey Plourde requested
 by Micheline, Noel, & Rejean

Next Sat. & Sun. Mass Schedule

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Saturday, October 11th at 4:00 p.m.:
 Bob & Judy Anderson

Sunday, October 12th at 8:30 a.m.:
 Leona Bisson, Francine Walko

Sunday, October 12th at 10:30 a.m.:
 Lidia Onisto, Brian Roche

Monday, October 13th at 6:00 p.m.:
 Sarah Cassidy



Lectors

Saturday, October 11th at 4:00 p.m.:
 Carl Dukas

Sunday, October 12th at 8:30 a.m.:
 Jeffrey Boyle

Sunday, October 12th at 10:30 a.m.:
 (1) Lola Wishart (2) Brennan Hughes

Monday, October 13th at 6:00 p.m.:
 Janice Gauvin



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 in
 memory of: **Mark Ciesielski**
 requested by: **Parents**



Recently Deceased

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

Deacon Robert A. Berube
Thomas C. Barber
Rhonda Lombardo
Deborah Ann Needham

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, "Lord."

September 28, 2025
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Please place your Donations in the
 offertory baskets during the Mass.
Thank you!
 For your generous support.
 May God Bless You!

A note of thanks from Carol the Yarn Lady to all the
 people who donated yarn. May God Bless You All.



The K of C will be hosting their monthly
 Breakfast on October 12, 2025
 From 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
 Parish Center Gym.
Adults: \$7.00; Seniors \$6.00
Children under 12 Free.





The Bulletin Board

Saturday, October 4th7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AA, Back to Basics, *Rm. 103***10:30 a.m. Blessing of the Animals in the overflow parking lot****Sunday, October 5th**

10:30 a.m. Faith Formation Family Mass

10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon, AA, *Rm. 103***12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Parish Picnic Today Parish Center Gym (Tickets available in the Parish Office)****Monday, October 6th****9:30 a.m. Legion of Mary, *Rm. 102*****6:30 p.m. Scripture Study, *Rm. 102*****Tuesday, October 7th****9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Scripture Study, *Rm. 102*****Wednesday, October 8th No Activities****Thursday, October 9th No Activities****Friday, October 10th No Activities****Saturday, October 11th**7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AA, Back to Basics, *Rm. 103***Sunday, October 12th****8:30 to 10:30 a.m. K of C Breakfast, Gym**10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon, AA, *Rm. 103***Our Lady of Mercy Picnic 2025**

Please join us October 5, 2025 at OLM Parish Center/Grounds for our Annual OLM Picnic. The fun begins at 12:00 p.m. and will continue until 4:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$10.00 for adults which will cover everything, children under 12 Free.

This year tickets available starting September 13th after Masses and at the Parish office. We will have many activities for children & adults. Activities include: bingo, other games, basket raffle, 50/50, and water balloons. Enjoy our Ice Cream and Baked Potato stations. Come be a part of the team and meet someone new! We invite everyone to volunteer for our Parish Family Get-Together.



October 7th Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary How to Celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary falls on October 7th. Ultimately, the rosary brings us closer to Our Blessed Mother. Our Blessed Mother brings us closer to her Son! Having a relationship with Jesus and His Blessed Mother bring adults and kids peace and comfort.

Any time spent praying and discussing the rosary will be fruitful. Take time this month to introduce children to this beautiful devotion with my resources below.

Why do we celebrate Our Lady of the Rosary?

Our Lady goes by many titles – Mary, the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Blessed Mother are among her most famous. Our Lady came to the aid of Christian soldiers in the Battle of Lepanto, and, later, Pope Pius V instituted a feast in thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory. Eventually, Pope Gregory XIII changed the name of the feast to Our Lady of the Rosary to emphasize the power of Mary's intercession in times of trouble.

<https://amazingcatechists.com/2024/09/our-lady-of-the-rosary/>



Knights of Columbus: "40 Days for Life"

The Knight of Columbus is proud to sponsor once again "40 Days for Life" campaign begins on September 25, 2025. The "40 Days for Life" campaign is bringing an end to the tragedy of abortion and the evil and destruction of innocent life. With Focus on prayers, fasting, and peaceful activism we see God's favor to turn the hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life. The campaign will start on September 25, 2025. See next Bulletin for upcoming dates and times.

October is the Month of the Rosary: Pray a Rosary

October is designated by the Catholic Church as the "Month of the Rosary." Father Dawson is asking the parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy to establish a Rosary prayer service daily through the Month of October. The rosary will be opened to all people. It will be conducted by the parishioners in the Church Monday through Friday at 6 p.m. daily through October. On Monday's, October 6, 13, 20, and the 27th: the Rosary will follow a 6 p.m. Mass. **We need volunteers to lead each prayer service during October.** There will be a table in the gathering area for signing up and to ask questions.

Questions: Call Dan Ciesielski 860-747-4429



What is Sung Prayer?

Sung prayer in the Roman Catholic Church is not merely "choir music" added to a liturgy; it is the **integral, vocal expression of the Church's official prayer**, whereby the Psalms, canticles, antiphons and other liturgical texts are rendered in chant (or other appropriate sacred music) so that the whole assembly participates in a unified act of worship.

cf. 268, Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments.



Pick Up Your Baby Bottles TODAY!



We will be handing out baby bottles to all this weekend. Please use the bottles to collect spare change (bills and checks accepted) over the next three weeks. You can then deposit the bottles in the collection bins at the rear of the church.

All proceeds will go to Carolyn's Place, the pregnancy care center serving the greater Waterbury area. They assist young women and girls with unexpected pregnancies, provide diagnostics ultrasounds through their mobile ultrasound van, provide parenting skills training to new mothers and fathers, and conduct Christ centered education on human sexuality.

If you need more information, please contact us at 203-597-9080.

Our Lady of Mercy: Annual Tag Sale

It's time for our **OLM Tag Sale** to be held on **October 17th & 18th** in the Parish Center Gym. We will be collecting items for the Tag Sale. Drop off area is behind the OLM Rectory on **October 3rd & 12th**. The Tag Sale will begin at **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** on Friday with an admission charge of \$1 for the first three hours. Saturday is **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, no admission charge. You may contact **Bill Brayne 860-729-7397** to make arrangements.

AMEN!

A short but important word. It can mean “let it be so,” or “I agree” or “I consent.”

There is an occasion where it is essential. When the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ are being distributed and the person distributing says, “The Body of Christ” or “The Blood of Christ” it is essential for the person receiving to say “Amen.” This amen not only acknowledges the reality of our Lord being present, but it is saying that the recipient assents to all the teachings of the Catholic Church. This does not mean that the person is necessarily enthusiastic about every one of them. Yet, we recognize the Church’s authority and assent to it.

When you receive, and you hear the words “The Body of Christ” please give an audible Amen! Let those around you know that you believe in Him and His Real Presence.

*Praise be Jesus Christ now and forever.
Rev. M. David Dawson*

Saturday, October 4, 2025 - The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

THE DISASTER OF NOT LEARNING FROM DISASTER

“He Who has brought disaster upon you will, in saving you, bring you back enduring joy.” (Baruch 4:29)

When disaster strikes, some may wonder: “Why did God let this happen to me?” One possible answer to this question is: disaster has befallen us because we, our family or our nation have “angered God” by falling into the sin of idolatry (Bar 4:6-7). We have made something more important to us than God. If so, we can repent and do something about the cause of the problem rather than take the role of the victim and blame other people for our problems.

Disaster can be a call to repentance (see Lk 13:3,5) and commitment to the Lord God can change the worst disasters into “enduring joy” (Bar 4:29) if we “turn now ten times the more we seek Him” (Bar 4:28). After a disaster, we are often naturally traumatized and spiritually paralyzed. However, as sin increases, grace increases all the more (Rm 5:20). After a disaster we should “seize” the grace of the moment and turn to the Lord with ten times greater zeal. We must redeem the time and “make the most of the present opportunity, for these are evil days” (Eph 5:16). When we don’t learn from disaster, we set the stage for the next disaster. “Turn now ten times the more to seek” the Lord (Bar 4:28). God promises: “I will remove disaster from among you” (Zep 3:18).

Prayer: Father, may I not take the role of victim but the victor.

Promise: “Do not rejoice so much in the fact that the devils are subject to you as that your names are inscribed in heaven” (Lk 10:20).

Praise: St. Francis turned the disaster of a Church in need of deep restoration into a glorious act of faith and obedience by throwing his energy into seeking the Lord and serving Him.

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