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**All Souls' Day
November 2, 2025**

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Sunday Vigil (Saturday): 4:00 p.m. – Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Daily Mass: Monday 6:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday 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*

Michael Cassella, *Deacon*

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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

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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

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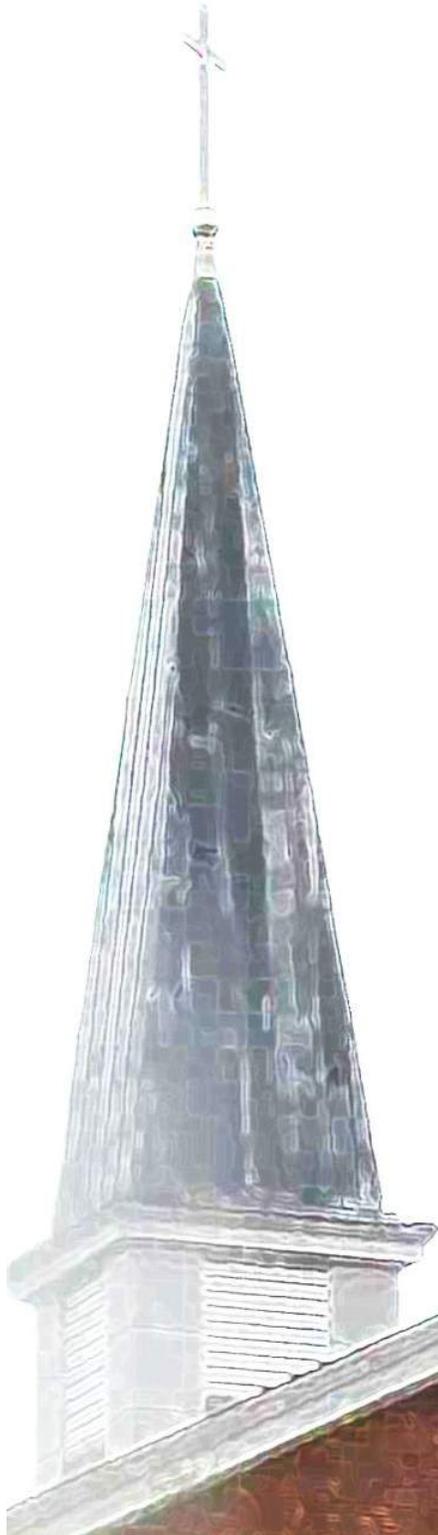
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“Do whatever He tells you.”

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



Mass Schedule for This Week

Saturday, November 1st All Saints Day

8:00 a.m. **All Saints Day**

12:00 Noon **Confessions Today**

4:00 p.m. **Vigil Mass, All Souls Day**

Sunday, November 2nd All Souls' Day

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People of
Our Lady of Mercy Parish

10:30 a.m. **All Souls' Day**

4:00 p.m. **Mass of Remembrance**

Monday, November 3rd Weekday

6:00 p.m. Colleen Cassidy Snyder requested
by Family

Tuesday, November 4th St. Charles Borromeo, Bp.

8:00 a.m. Theresa Bagliore requested by
Son Tony Bagliore

Wednesday, November 5th Weekday

No Mass Today

Thursday, November 6th Weekday

8:00 a.m. Raphael Hermoso requested by
Patricia & Anthony Tata

12:00 Noon Blessing of the Cemetery
Anyone can attend

Friday, November 7th Weekday

8:00 a.m. Donald Wallace requested by Wife
8:30 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, November 8th Weekday

8:00 a.m. Paula Soltis requested by
Sophia & Sarah

12:00 Noon **Confessions Today**

4:00 p.m. Mass for the People of
Our Lady of Mercy Parish

Sunday, November 9th

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:30 a.m. Carol Accousti requested by Mary Ann
10:30 a.m. Yvon Quirion requested by Wife

1:00 p.m. Mass for First Responders

Reception to follow in Parish Center Gym

Next Sat. & Sun. Mass Schedule

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Saturday, November 8th at 4:00 p.m.:

Anne Wroblewski, Sarah Cassidy

Sunday, November 9th at 8:30 a.m.:

Sophia Winiarski, Charlene Smith

Sunday, November 9th at 10:30 a.m.:

Jessica Murzyn, Lidia Onisto

Sunday, November 9th at 1:00 p.m.:

Bob & Judy Anderson

Monday, November 10th at 6:00 p.m.:

Sarah Cassidy



Lectors

Saturday, November 8th at 4:00 p.m.:

(1) Carol Duksa, (2) Susan Cavanna

Sunday, November 9th at 8:30 a.m.:

Greta Moore

Sunday, November 9th at 10:30 a.m.:

Janice Gauvin

Sunday, November 9th at 1:00 p.m.:

Francine Walko

Monday, November 10th at 6:00 p.m.:

Janice Gauvin



I love you, Lord, my strength. Psalms 18:1



Recently Deceased



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

Kathleen Bott, Ashley Rochette
William Stilwell & Rev. David F. Zercie
Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, "Lord."

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
in memory of: **Edward & Loretta Smith**
Requested by: **Terri & Rich Smith**



October 26, 2025
Offertory \$5,654.00

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 to all the Volunteers who worked for
the annual Tag Sale. Contributions total: \$1,776.00
Thanks to all who made this possible. God Bless..



The Bulletin Board

Saturday, November 1st
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AA, Back to Basics, *Rm. 103*

Sunday, November 2nd
10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon, AA, *Rm. 103*

Monday, November 3rd
9:30 a.m. **Legion of Mary**, *Rm. 102*
6:30 p.m. **Scripture Study**, *Rm. 102*

Tuesday, November 4th
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. **Scripture Study**, *Rm. 102*

Wednesday, November 5th No Activities

Thursday, November 6th
12:00 Noon Blessing of the Cemetery
Anyone can attend

6:30 p.m. **Prayer & Worship**, *Rm. 101*

Friday, November 7th No Activities

Saturday, November 8th
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. AA, Back to Basics, *Rm. 103*

Sunday, November 9th
8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. **K of C Breakfast**, *Gym*
10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon, AA, *Rm. 103*
2:00 P.M. **Legion of Mary Curia Mtg.**, *Rm. 102*

Sweaters for Vets

The Human Needs and Social Justice Committee in conjunction with Operation Sweaters for Veterans is sponsoring a collection of new sweaters, sweatshirts, gloves and hats with the tags attached for veterans in men's and women's sizes. The collection will take place from **Oct. 18th - Nov. 9th**. Items can be placed in the Collection bins in the gathering space at church. Thank you in advance for supporting our veterans!




The Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive the week of November 1, 2025 to support PARC of Plainville. Please join us in supporting this worthy group. God Bless!



The K of C will be hosting their monthly Breakfast on Sunday, November 10, 2024 From 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., Parish Center Gym.
Adults: \$7.00; Seniors \$6.00

Children under 12 years of age Free.



Faith Formation November Schedule

Family Mass: Sunday, Nov. 2nd at 10:30 a.m.

Classes: Sunday, November 9th & 23rd

Pre-K-6 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

7-10 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Family Gathering: Sunday, November 16th

After Mass: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

No Classes on Sunday, November 30th

Our Family Gathering this month will focus on Advent which is a special time to pause, reflect and prepare our hearts for the Christmas season.

Please be sure to email us if your child will be absent. religiouslyeducation@olmct.org

Save the date for 2026 Sacrament Schedule

First Reconciliation

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

First Holy Communion

Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Mercy Church

The Sacrament of Confirmation

(2nd year, 10th - 12th grade)

Sunday, April 19, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph,
Hartford, CT

More information will be shared soon.



270 lbs. of Food Donated for September

A special note of thanks: To all the parishioners for the food that was donated for the month of September to the Plainville Food Pantry. The Donations help the people in the Plainville community who are most grateful for your help. May God Bless you all.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. *John 8:12*

"Faith of Our Fathers"

"Faith of Our Fathers" is a group of Catholic couples and adult singles from various parishes who meet monthly for Catholic teaching, prayer and fellowship. We read original works by Catholic saints, and study approved Marian apparitions.

The next book club will be on Saturday, November 8th from 5-8 p.m.

"Faith of Our Fathers" will begin a new book, "St. Anthony of the Desert" by St. Athanasius. This short book will be completed in 2 sessions. We will be meeting in Wethersfield. New comers are welcome to just come and see and Refreshments are provided. If you are interested in joining us for an inspiring evening, please contact Maria Ménoret for more details at 740-219-1023. See you soon!

In Need of Sacrament or Sacraments?

Any person needing to receive their adult sacraments of baptism, first communion, confession, confirmation or any combination of the above, should contact Rev. M. David Dawson or our Religious Education Coordinator, Gina Burby. You can call the Parish office at 860-747-6825 and leave a message for them to call you. Be sure to leave your full name and best call back number.

The Legion of Mary

"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. Call the parish office with your name and phone for more information. If you know of a homebound parishioner who would like a friendly visit please contact the parish office with their name and phone number to arrange a visit. Call 860-747-6825.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: A grace filled opportunity awaits you with the privilege of bringing the Body and Blood of Jesus to the faithful members of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, which is deeply spiritual and rewarding experience. All such ministers must be living in accordance with the Church. (i.e.: Marriage, etc.) training will be with Rev. M. David Dawson. Help is needed at the 4:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m. Masses. If you feel a call to this ministry please contact the office at 860-747-6825.

Who needs Jesus?

Many today say that they don't have a need for **Jesus**. They go to work, have homes, put food on their tables, raise families without His help. In fact, daily activities go on but the world can't really make sense without Him. **Truth**. The truth is in Christ, "in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Colossians 2:3). We cannot understand the truth without Him. To make sense of the world, we need Jesus to lead us. **Life**. The life we have will eventually end. To keep living, we need Jesus. "I am the way and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but by me" (John 14:6). Eternal life comes through Him. **Death**. None of us escapes death. Yet, in the Resurrection Jesus defeated death for us. It didn't hold Him and He offers the gift of life to each of us if we live in Him. **Sin**. Even the holiest of us sins. Without Jesus, what becomes of us? He "gave himself as a ransom for all" (1Timothy 2:6). If we don't accept His price, our sins come back to us for eternity. **Suffering**. Modern science can alleviate some but not eliminate some of the world's suffering. Jesus provides comfort and healing to those who trust Him and surrender to Him.





The Great Gift of All Souls' Day



This year *All Saints' Day* is on November 1st, and *All Souls' Day* is on November 2nd. Beginning with All Saints' Day to November 8th the Church offers Catholics an opportunity of mercy for all those who need our prayers. We pray for the dead all the time, but especially during this month. It is a time to call attention to the practice and encourage more Catholics to do it. Praying for the dead is one of the oldest Catholic traditions, especially in November, when the Church prays for the relief of the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church encourages the faithful to visit the graves of the deceased and to have memorial Masses said for the repose of their souls. From November 1st to November 8th, it is possible to gain plenary indulgences for them by performing pious works that will remit all the temporal punishment due to sin.

Through prayerful acts at this special time of year, Catholics can help their deceased loved ones who await the fullness of heaven. Here are two ways a Catholic may obtain a plenary indulgence:

- Visiting a cemetery and praying for the faithful departed from Nov. 1st to Nov. 8th. On other days, it is a partial indulgence. (Only one plenary indulgence may be gained in a day.)
- Piously visiting a church or oratory on All Souls' Day and praying one Our Father and the Creed.

For you to obtain these indulgences, one also must:

- Have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin.
- Sacramentally confess one's sins 20 days before or after receiving the indulgence.
- Receive the Holy Eucharist.
- Pray for the intentions of the Pope. One Our Father and one Hail Mary for these intentions would fulfill this condition.

What Is An Indulgence?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (1471), an indulgence "is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints." An indulgence may be partial or plenary, depending upon whether it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. Catholics can gain indulgences for themselves or apply them to the deceased. Through the mercy of God, through the death and resurrection of Jesus, sins can be forgiven. The Church intervenes for individual Christians and opens this treasury of merits of Christ and the saints to facilitate the remission of temporal punishment. Because of the merits of Jesus and the saints, Catholics can turn to the treasury of the Church and perform works of prayer and charity to assist them and their loved ones on the path to eternal life, especially this month.



Peace and all good things.

Deacon Mike



First Responders of Plainville: On behalf of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, our Staff, Parishioners and myself; I want to express our profound gratitude for all you do in service to our town. Within the Roman Catholic Church, the highest prayer we can offer is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We would like to invite you, and your families to a special Mass **for First Responders of Plainville at 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 9th at Our Lady of Mercy Church.**

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