

Our Lady of Mercy Parish June 9, 2024



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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. 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 prayer time in church 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.

Wass Intentions

Saturday, June 8th Vigil: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00PM: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4:30PM: Daniel Stauber, Katie Gleich, Estela Russell

requested by Maria Hunt

Sunday, June 9th Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM: Richard Huot requested by Fr. Paul For all parishioners

10:30AM: Ethel Bonaccorsi requested by Clay &

Kathy Rush

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday, June 10th

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: John Vey requested by Diane Schultz

Tuesday, June 11th Saint Barnabas, Apostle

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Louis Bourgoin requested by Claire

Wednesday, June 12th

8:10AM: Morning Prayer **8:30AM:** Annette King

Thursday, June 13th Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

No Mass

Friday, June 14th

8:10AM: Morning Prayer **8:30AM:** Paul McNamara

Saturday, June 15th Vigil: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30PM: Frank Brown req by Claude & Sandy Mayo

Sunday, June 16th Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM: Robert Gilbert requested by Doris Proulx

10:30AM: David Rose requested by his wife Audrey For all parishioners

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle burns from June 8th to 14th in memory of

Paul McNamara.



Please pray for our recently deceased Raymond Lavallee, funeral June 11 at 9:30am

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Many thanks to all who have contributed to the NH Capital Appeal! There is still time to donate or make a pledge. Call the office or go to www.catholicnh.org. Thank you!

Readings for the Week: June 9, 2024

Monday 1 Kgs 17:1-6 Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 and Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 and Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday 1 Kgs 18:20-39 Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11 and Mt 5:17-19

Thursday 1 Kgs 18:41-46 Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13 and Mt 5:20-26

Friday 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16 Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 and Mt 5:27-32

Saturday 1 Kgs 19:19-21 Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10 and Mt 5:33-37

Sunday Ez 17:22-24 Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 2 Cor 5:6-10 Mk 4:26-34



FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1-12 Upcoming Dates

- •Grades 1-5: Books are due; please drop them at the office or the box in the main entrance of the church
- •Youth Ministry: Steubenville East is July 26 28 in Springfield, MA; His Hands and Feet is August 11 14. Friends welcome! Call the office for info and to register.
- •Grades 1 12 Registration for 2024-25: will open early summer

Quo Vadis Vocation Camp

Do you know where your life is going? The Lord has a great plan for you! High school young men (ages 14-18) are invited to attend Quo Vadis Vocation camp Monday, July 29-Friday, August 2 to look at the Lord's call in your life while having lots of fun.

This is an overnight camp held at St. Methodios Faith and Heritage Center in Contoocook and is led by priests and seminarians from the diocese.

The camp includes a full schedule of hiking, swimming, canoeing, sports and games, daily Mass and prayer, and opportunities to grow in friendship with the Lord and with each other. The cost is only \$50 and financial aid is available. For more information or to register go to www.liveinblackandwhite.com or contact Alyse Hlasny at 603-663-0183 or ahlasny@rcbm.org.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Church dedicates the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The tradition dates back to the 17th century when St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French nun, had visions of Jesus Christ revealing His Sacred Heart to her.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer

Heart of Jesus, delight of all saints.

Father, we rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the heart of Jesus your Son.

Open our hearts to share His life and continue to bless us with his love. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

Whoever Does the Will of God is a Member of the Family of Jesus Mark 3:20-35

In the section of the Gospel just before these verses, Jesus calls His Twelve Apostles. Now He performs His first exorcism. The account in Mark's Gospel is told within the context of conflict with His family.

A crowd so large had gathered that Jesus and His disciples are not even able to eat. The family of Jesus comes to take Him away because they are concerned about the large crowds interfering with the mission of Jesus. Some scribes determine that Jesus is possessed by the devil. That is their reasoning for the ability of Jesus to heal and to cast out demons. Jesus points out the absurdity of their thinking that the devil should be the one to cast out demons. In fact, it is Jesus who overcomes demons.

Jesus concludes with a mention about forgiveness. All sin can be forgiven except for blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. It's not known exactly what Jesus means by this. It may have to do with cautioning the unbelieving scribes about cutting themselves off from the Holy Spirit – the source of forgiveness.

Mark then brings Jesus's family back into the picture. Jesus is informed of the arrival of his mother and family. This gives Jesus the opportunity to point out that family is not merely based on blood, but those bound by doing the will of God. Those who choose to do God's will are part of the family of Jesus.

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Parish Happenings: the Week Ahead

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturday, June 8 at 3:00pm and Sunday, June 9 after the 10:30 Mass

K of C Prayer Group: Monday, June 10 from 6:30-7:00pm, church; all are welcome

Knights of Columbus: Monday, June 10 at 7:00pm, church hall

Knitting Ministry: Thursday, June 13 from noon to 2:00pm, parish office building

Baby Bottle Donations: Collection Ends this Weekend



St. Gianna's Place - a home in the Catholic tradition for women in crisis pregnancies - will hold its baby bottle campaign starting this weekend. The doors have been open for 5 years and we've been able to a loving, formative and supportive home to over 30 women and their children during this short time! Your financial support is greatly appreciated in order to defray the costs of the day-to-day operations and educational programs we offer to our moms.

If you would like to help, simply take home a baby bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the bin in the entrance of the church by June 9. With your support, we can change mothers' and their babies lives through the love and care of this community.

Thank you!

Parish Stewardship

May Online: \$18,764

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120 Club

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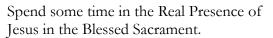
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9th Annual Hot DogZ for ALZ

Save the date: Thursday, June 27 from 11:00am-7:00pm. Don't miss it!

Eucharistic Adoration This Weekend

- •Saturday, June 8 **at 3:00pm**; ahead of the 4:30 Mass (please note time change)
- •Sunday, June 9 after the 10:30 Mass





Making the Most of Time in Adoration

One way to spend time with God is through Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. During Adoration we sit, kneel, or stand before the Eucharist: the Body of Christ, which is exposed in a beautiful vessel called a monstrance.

There is no wrong way to pray during Adoration! You can talk to God about your personal intentions, seek spiritual guidance, or offer thanksgiving and praise to God. Sitting in silence and allowing God's presence to wash over you is certainly an appropriate way to spend time in adoration as well.

Bring Scripture

The Psalms or the daily readings are good places to start. How is God speaking to your heart through Scripture?

Pray the Rosary

This beautiful, meditative prayer may help focus and quiet your mind.

Sit in Silence

Our world is noisy. It is healthy for our mind, our heart, and our soul to take time for quiet and even silence. Sitting in silence could also allow room to hear God "speaking" to our hearts.

Young Adult Retreat

The Daughters of Mary, Mother of Healing Love and the Benedictine Monks of Saint Anselm Abbey will lead a special young adult retreat at Saint Anselm Abbey in Manchester from June 21-23.







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