

They all ate and were satisfied.

Luke 9:17



Our Lady of Mercy Parish June 22, 2025



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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm

Church Hours

The church is locked for safety during the day, but you are welcome to spend prayer time in church during office hours! 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 on 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.

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month after the 8:30am Mass;

Saturday following the first Friday at 3:00pm; Sunday following the first Friday after the 10:30am Mass

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00-3:45PM

By appointment: please call the office to schedule with Fr. Paul.

Baptism

Call the office for preparation and scheduling.

Marriage

Contact the office to schedule marriage preparation.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA, formerly RCIA)

OCIA 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 contact 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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 21st

Vigil: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

4:30PM: Gloria Giel requested by James & Susan Giel
For all parishioners

Sunday, June 22nd

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:30AM: John Cox requested by the Knights of
Columbus

10:30AM: Frank & Dureen Caron and Michael
Perrault requested by the family

Monday, June 23rd

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Joan Snyder requested by her granddaughter

Tuesday, June 24th

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Henry Barclay requested by a friend

Wednesday, June 25th

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Anne Rath requested by her daughter-in-law

Thursday, June 26th

No Mass

Friday, June 27th

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Christine Lettre

Saturday, June 28th

Vigil: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

4:30PM: Gladys Krystyniak req by the Tsatsa family

Sunday, June 29th

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:30AM: Don & Arlene Olson requested by the
Murphy family
For all parishioners

10:30AM: Robert Giggi requested by the family

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle burns from
June 21st to 27th
in loving memory of
Christine Lettre.



June: Dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Church dedicates the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The heart of Jesus is love, compassion, and mercy!

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.

Amen!



Readings for the Week June 22, 2025

Monday Gen 12:1-9 Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22
and Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday Day Is 49:1-6 Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15
Acts 13:22-26 and Lk 1:57-66, 80

Wednesday Gen 15:1-12, 17-18 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7,
8-9 and Mt 7:15-20

Thursday Gen 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16
Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 and Mt 7:21-29

Friday Ez 34:11-16 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Rom 5:5b-11
and Lk 15:3-7

Saturday Gen 18:1-15 Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53,
54-55 and Mt 8:5-17

Sunday Vigil Acts 3:1-10 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Gal 1:11-20
and Jn 21:15-19

Sunday Day Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 2
Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 and Mt 16:13-19



FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1-12 Upcoming Dates!

- **Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Stay tuned for new calendar dates!
- **Grades 1-5:** Registration for 2025-26 coming soon!
- **Youth Ministry:** Registration 2025-26 coming soon!
- **Sacramental Preparation:** Parent meetings will be held this fall. Typically, First Reconciliation is received in second grade and Confirmation and First Holy Communion is received together in third grade. For older students, please contact the office and we are more than happy to include you in upcoming sacramental preparation!

The Sacred Heart of Jesus



The Sacred Heart of Jesus encompasses the immense love and mercy of Jesus Christ. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a special devotion to Jesus: the focus being on His Heart, which exemplifies our Lord's redemptive suffering for the whole world.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus began in the eleventh and twelfth centuries, but became more prominent through Jesus's revelations to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Between 1673 and 1675, St. Margaret Mary, a nun in the Visitation Convent at Paray-le-Monial, France, received several visions of Jesus. In them Christ revealed His Heart as a symbol of His boundless love for humanity and emphasized the need for people to return His love through devotion and prayer.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of Pope Pius IX extending the Feast of the Sacred Heart to the entire Church. With this anniversary, you are invited to respond to the love of Christ with renewed devotion.

In the United States, the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated on the Friday following the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This feast day provides the opportunity to reflect on Jesus's great love and mercy, and to make reparation for sins. The feast of the Sacred Heart 2025 falls on June 27.

The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist *Luke 9:11b-17*

Today, the second Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate a second solemnity, which marks our return to Ordinary Time. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called *Corpus Christi*, Latin for "the Body of Christ." In the most recent revision of the liturgy, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology.



The feeding of the 5,000 is the only one of Jesus's miracles to appear in all four Gospels. Luke places it between Herod's question, "Who is this about whom I hear such things?" and Peter's response to Jesus's question about who he thought Jesus was: "You are the Messiah of God." In Luke the feeding is not the result of Jesus's compassion for the crowd, but is instigated by the disciples. They wanted Jesus to send the crowd away to town. Instead Jesus tells the disciples to give them some food.

The passage is meant to remind us of two feedings in the Old Testament: the feeding of the Israelites in the desert and Elisha's feeding of 100 people with 20 loaves in 2 Kings 4:42-44. It is also connected to the institution of the Eucharist. As in the Last Supper accounts in Matthew, Mark, and Luke and in Paul's account in 1 Corinthians 11:23-24, Jesus takes bread, looks up to heaven, blesses the bread, breaks it, and then gives it to the disciples. Using this exact language, Luke is reminding readers that in this miracle Jesus is doing more than feeding hungry people as God did for the Israelites and the prophet Elisha did as well. The bread He gives IS the body of Jesus Christ, which He continues to give as often as we break bread in remembrance of Him in the Eucharist.

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Prayers for Deacon John!

Deacon John is on the road to healing and recovery after surgery! He will have to be off his feet for several weeks, followed by extended time for physical therapy. Please keep him in your prayers.

You are invited to write a message to Deacon John in the notebook located in the main entrance of the church. It will be available to sign for the next few weeks before it is sent to him. Thank you for your prayers and good wishes for Deacon John's recovery!

Parish Stewardship

Weekly collections week June 9 - 15, 2025

Budget	\$10,340
Actual	\$8,780
Variance	(\$1,560)

Thank you for your generosity!



NH Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all who have made pledges to our annual NH Catholic Appeal! Our parish goal is \$54,138 and we are getting close!

Please donate through the mail using envelopes found

in the pews or online at: www.catholicnh.org/nhca.

Thank you!!

OLM Recital: All are Welcome!



The OLM recital is next **Sunday, June 29 at 2:00pm**. The recital features sacred and classical music performed by Music Director Christian Copeley's students, the OLM Schola, and Christian himself. Don't miss it!



Religious Freedom Week: Witnesses of Hope begins with the feast day of Ss. Thomas More and John Fisher on June 22 and ends with the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul on June 29. Religious freedom allows the Church and her religious communities to live out the faith in public and to serve all. Learn how you can pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom at www.usccb.org/committees/religious-liberty.

Hot Dogz



The hot dog event in support of the Alzheimer's Association will take place on **Thursday, June 26** in the parish parking lot from 11:00am till 7:00pm. Eat "in" at picnic tables, take out, or drive through.

Help is needed on the day of the event! Please contact Bob Bergin if you have even a little time to spare for this worthy cause. Contact Bob by phone at 603-494-9835. Thank you!

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

They that hope in the LORD
will renew their strength,
they will soar on eagles' wings;
They will run and not grow weary,
walk and not grow faint.

-Isiah 40:31



For additional info on the Jubilee year, please see:
www.CatholicNH.org/NHJubilee.

Travel Apps for Mass Times

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