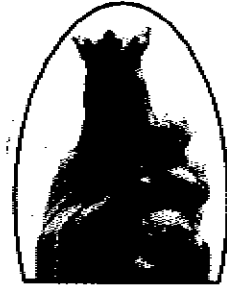


**OUR LADY OF MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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"LOVE CHRIST...LIVE CHRIST"

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF AUG 27, 2017

Saturday, Aug 26	4:30 PM	+George Bair by Bob Bishel
Saturday, Aug 26	6:30 PM	+Jim Neice by Barb Neice (St. Mary)
Sunday, Aug 27	8:30 AM	+Brigitte Lejeune by Fred Lejeune
Sunday, Aug 27	11:00 AM	People of the Parish (St. Mary)
Tuesday, Aug 29	8:30 AM	+Poor Souls
Wed, Aug 30	9:00 AM	+Richard Haas Sr. by Lowell & Cecelia Kramer (St. Mary)
Thursday, Aug 31	8:30 AM	+Elizabeth Alazaus
Friday, Sept 1	8:30 AM	+Lillian Kapalewski by Audrey Kapelewski
Saturday, Sept 2	8:30 AM	Personal Intentions
Saturday, Sept 2	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Saturday, Sept 2	6:30 PM	+Pat Schoeppner by Richard Schoeppner (St. Mary)
Sunday, Sept 3	8:30 AM	+Mae Gaines by Cam Lanka
Sunday, Sept 3	11:00 AM	+Jennifer Stewart by Dave & Barb Leyda (St. Mary)

Confessions before Mass

If you or any family member is ill or hospitalized, please inform the parish office

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR**

Sun	27	
Mon	28	
Tue	29	
Wed	30	Bible Study 11:00 AM Choir Practice 5:30 PM
Thurs	31	
Fri	1	
Sat	2	
Sun	3	

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
Stewardship Week of Aug 20 2017**

Adult \$1189 Loose \$248 Candles \$29
Assumption (2 wks) \$560
Bldg. Fund \$1475 + Estate Donation \$5000
LOAN: Balance \$ 335,724

ST. MARY

Stewardship Weeks of Aug 20, 2017
Adult \$784 Loose \$174 Assumption \$90

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will take place Friday, Sept 1, 9AM - 8PM. All ARE WELCOME. Substitute Adorers; Janet Smith, Cynthia Bailey, and Brenda Miller after 5.PM.

ST. MARY NEWS~ Next Wednesday, Sept. 30, after the morning Mass, we will sweep and dust the church. Any help would be appreciated. Helping Hands is collecting Acme register receipts dated from 8/10 to 12/20. They will receive 5% of the total for their programs. Please drop them in the collection basket and we will deliver.

DEDICATION BOOK~ Our Dedication Book is nearing completion. If there is anyone you want to memorialize through your building contributions, please get their names to Janet Smith ASAP at 330-627-2293.

MASS SCHEDULE~ The Mass Schedule for the week end of Dedication is as follows:

Saturday (9/23) - No Mass at OLM; Vigil Mass at St. Mary at 5:00 PM.

Sunday, (9/24) - No regularly scheduled Masses at OLM & St. Mary - 3:00 PM Dedication Mass at 748 Roswell Rd.

OPEN HOUSE AND MUSIC!~ Everyone is invited to an Open House on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 4:00 in the afternoon to see the beautiful new church and listen to Master Organist Victor Marsilio in a concert titled "From Bach to Broadway" designed to let us hear the capabilities of our restored pipe organ. See the bulletin insert for details, but don't throw it away. Post it in a prominent place in the community or pass it on to a friend or neighbor.

PSR NEWS~ Classes begin Sunday, Sept. 10 at 9:45 AM! All families are asked to complete a new registration form (in church entrance) along with student fees or paid in the PSR office opening day. Parents of students entering 5/6/7 grades are asked to attend a brief meeting in the hall following Mass 8/27 to discuss preparation for confirmation which will be Dec. 3. CLASSROOM CLEANUP will be 5:00, 8/27. Help & cleaning equipment like buckets, cloths, rubber gloves, swiffers, etc are appreciated. Pizza will be provided for the cleaning crew!

RCIA INFORMATIONAL CLASSES will begin this fall for anyone desiring to become a Catholic

ALTAR SERVER MEETING~ All current OLM servers are asked to meet Saturday, Sept. 9th at 10AM.

WHITE MASS~ Bishop Monforton will be celebrating a White Mass to honor physicians, nurses, and all who serve in the healthcare profession - Sunday, Sept. 17 at 11 AM at Blessed Sacrament Church in Wintersville and Sunday, Oct. 15 at 10 AM at Christ the King in Athens. All are welcome.

LADIES OF MERCY NOTE~ The Ladies of Mercy's regular meeting will be Sept. 11 at 6:30 rather than Sept. 4.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES for September and October are available at the back of the church.

THANK YOU~ A heartfelt "Thank you" to all who donated food, time and talent for the Keane family, especially our dear neighbors, St. Joseph's CWC for providing desserts. The Ladies of Mercy continue to offer the important ministry of hospitality by providing a meal following a funeral Mass. If you are interested in helping, please call Linda DeSimone 330-476-6285 or 330-205-7910. (Please pick up your dishes in the Parish Hall kitchen!)

CONDOLENCES~ Our prayers and condolences are with the families and friends of Connor Keane who died 8/15 and of Mae Gaines (Sandy Sprague's mother) who died 8/19.

Happy Birthday: (OLM) Paige Folk 8/26, Hannah Lutton 8/27, Vicki Griffith 8/20, Alzana Nuzzolillo 8/31, Mike Maiorca 9/1, Ty Pridemore 9/1, David Pesta 9/2, Bill Abrahims 9/2, Joe Seck 9/3.

(St.Mary) Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to everyone celebrating in August and September.

Happy Anniversary: (OLM) Jason & Tammy Sivy 8/26 (11 yrs), Merle & Barb Albrecht 8/27 (57), Demetrius & Cynthia Carrothers 8/29 (18), Jim & Mary Goings 9/2 (50).

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Lucille Fiddler, Brenda Sandefur,
Dave Leyda, Richard Otte, Sandy Fiddler, Beth Wolford,
Rose Marie Shine, Maribyn Schaeffer, The Grossi Family

Please pray for all serving in the military and thank them and all who have served our country.

Our Lady of Mercy

Clarence Halter, Jane Gyugo, Naomi Kowal, Erna Graham, Betty Shurtz, Mitchell Lanka, Denny Amelung, Vicky Oboy, Sister Cabrini, Jim Ferda, Cam Lanka, Bill Abrahims, Tina Lewis, Deb Thomas' father, Robert Jones, Theresa Machione, Grace Mahaney, Louise Furbee, Gary Shears

If you know of someone who is need of prayer, please call Cam Lanka 330-806-5946.

Calendar

Monday

August 28

St. Augustine,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10

Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday

August 29

Passion of St. John
the Baptist

1 Thes 2:1-8

Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday

August 30

Weekday

1 Thes 2:9-13

Mt 23:27-32

Thursday

August 31

Weekday

1 Thes 3:7-13

Mt 24:42-51

Friday

September 1

Weekday

1 Thes 4:1-8

Mt 25:1-13

Saturday

September 2

Weekday

1 Thes 4:9-11

Mt 25:14-30

Sunday

September 3

Twenty-Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7-9

Rom 12:1-2

Mt 16:21-27

Dear Padre,

I am a huge fan of Pope Francis. However, I know some people feel his messages to be against Church teachings. How can the people criticize the pope when we believe our Lord has put Pope Francis in the chair of St. Peter?

Spoiler alert: I'm a big fan of Pope Francis, too! I believe he's doing much to bring people back to the Church. If you look closely at the pope's message, I think you'll find the difference is not one of content but of emphasis. Pope Francis has not changed any Church teaching, but he is shining the spotlight on some areas in particular.



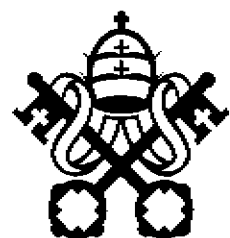
GIULIO NAPOLITANO/SHUTTERSTOCK

Pope Francis has put a great deal of emphasis on mercy, simplicity, the poor, and immigrants. These things have always been part of the Catholic Church. Our pope has decided that today these things need to be brought to the forefront.

As Catholics, we are free to say things like, "I wish the pope would put more emphasis on doctrine,"

or, "I wish he would talk more about what we need to do to be saved." There's even nothing wrong in saying, "I liked Pope Benedict better." But, because Francis is in Peter's chair, we must always first ask ourselves, "What is Jesus saying to me through the messages of Pope Francis?"

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

"Peter knocks at the door. Behold! There is joy, there is fear... 'Do we open, do we not?'... Fear paralyzes us, it always paralyzes us; it makes us close in on ourselves, closed to God's surprises. This detail speaks to us of a constant temptation for the Church, that of closing in on herself

in the face of danger. But we also see the small openings through which God can work....Prayer enables grace to open a way out from closure to openness, from fear to courage, from sadness to joy...from division to unity."

—Mass and blessing of the sacred pallium for new archbishops,
Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, June 29, 2016

Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 27, 2017

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 22:19-23

Rom 11:33-36

Mt 16:13-20

Upon This Rock

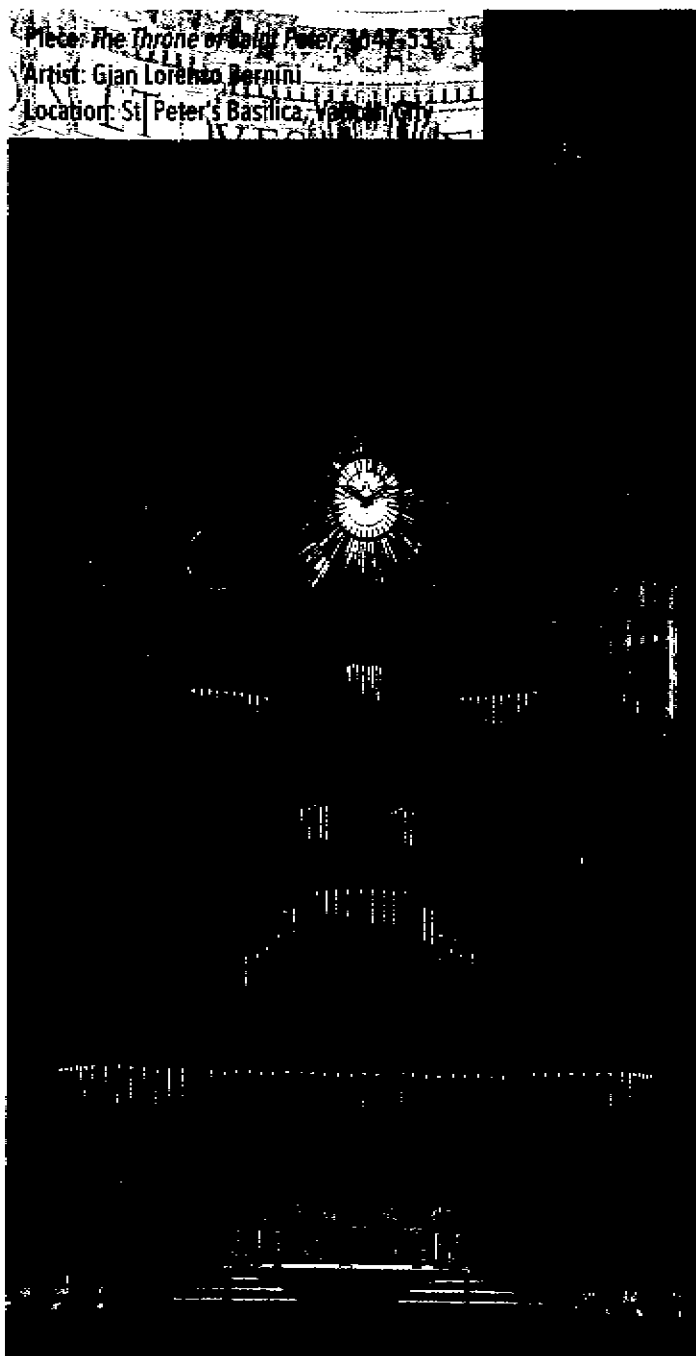
Saint Peter's Basilica is built on the tomb of Peter, which literally serves as the rock on which the church is built. Peter states his faith, acknowledging Jesus as Messiah and Son of God, in the name of the other apostles. In reply, the Lord reveals his intended mission for Peter: to become the visible foundation of the Church.

This account also tells us that Peter's act of faith did not come through "flesh and blood," that is, through his human abilities, but through a particular revelation from God. By contrast, right afterward, as Jesus foretells his passion, death, and resurrection, Peter "began to rebuke him," denying that this would ever happen (Matthew 16:22). Jesus scolds him in return.

Peter shows his human weakness and what he is: a stone along the path on which men can stumble. In this scene, the drama of each soul and the history of the papacy and Church itself are anticipated. There is the joint presence of divine assistance by which the papacy constitutes the Church's foundation throughout history, and human weakness, which is also evident through the centuries and can be transformed only through abandonment to God's action.

In today's Gospel, Jesus clearly promises the forces of evil will not prevail. Prophets such as Jeremiah (1:18-19) were threatened only by human enemies, whereas Peter will have to be defended from a supernatural evil. Jeremiah receives a promise that affects him as a person and his prophetic ministry; Peter receives assurances concerning the future of the Church and the new community founded by Christ "upon this rock."

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



For Reflection Peter's mission is to confirm the faith of the other apostles. How willing are you to let the pope, Peter's successor, confirm your faith today? What are you doing to ensure your faith is built on a solid foundation?

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18).

A NEW DAY IS DAWNING



THE GRAND OPENING OF
Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church
- CARROLLTON, OHIO -

*All Are Welcome to an
Open House
Sunday, September 10, 2017
at 4:00 in the afternoon*

We will open wide the doors for you to tour our beautiful, new church -
which is filled with *Christ's Light and Love!*

Then, as a Christian Community, we shall listen to the
first refrains of our restored pipe organ!

Victor Marsilio, Master Organist,

will share his great talent in a concert, titled "*From Bach to Broadway.*"