

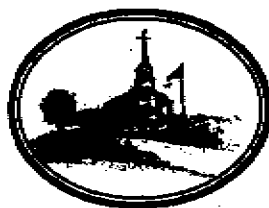
**OUR LADY OF MERCY
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"LOVE CHRIST...LIVE CHRIST"

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPT 24, 2017

Saturday, Sept 23	No Mass at OLM
Saturday, Sept 23	5:00 PM +Frances Rich by Barb Neice (St. Mary)
Sunday, Sept 24	3:00 PM People of the Parish - Dedication Mass - OLM & St. Mary
Tuesday, Sept 26	8:30 AM +Poor Souls
Wed, Sept 27	9:00 AM +Alice Boron by Allan & Suzanne Tazzi (St. Mary)
Thursday, Sept 28	8:30 AM +Connor Keane by Jim & Ruth Birong
Friday, Sept. 29	8:30 AM Fr. Kenneth Uram
Saturday, Sept 30	4:30 PM People of the Parish
Saturday, Sept 30	6:30 PM +Wendy Neice by Kathleen Greer & Family (St. Mary)
Sunday, Oct. 1	8:30 AM +Dave Peterson by Dave & Karen Paulin
Sunday, Oct 1	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	24	No PSR; Dedication Mass 3:00 PM
Mon	25	
Tue	26	
Wed	27	Bible Study 11:00 AM
Thurs	28	
Fri	29	
Sat	30	
Sun	1	K of C & Rosary 8AM PSR & Adult Ed 9:40-11AM

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
Stewardship Week of Sept 17, 2017**

Adult \$1558 Loose \$226 Candles \$30
Bldg. Fund \$12,335; New Pledges \$48,900
LOAN: Balance \$330,464; Interest due 9/23 \$949

ST. MARY

Stewardship Week of Sept 17, 2017

Adult \$620 Loose \$127
Helping Hands \$60; Hurricane Relief \$300

ALLELUJAH !!

ALL GLORY AND HONOR TO OUR GREAT GOD AND KING FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL STRUCTURE IN WHICH WE HAVE COME TO WORSHIP HIM. Though unable to thank each of you individually for the sacrifices made, OLM is truly grateful for all the planning, funding, hours of donated time, talents and prayers God's people have contributed to make this day possible. May all who come to worship in this place come to know the love of God and His people.

ST. MARY NEWS~ The women will meet Oct. 4 at 6PM to plan for the turkey dinner. 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.

CHRISTLIFE MINISTRY~ If you would like to be part of the Diocesan ChristLife program in our parish, please pick up a training registration form at the back of the church or see Linda Jordan. There is no cost for the training conference.

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY~ Grab your tennis shoes or a lawn chair, pick up a sign at the old church, and join the Carrollton Life Chain next Sunday, Oct. 1 from 2-3 PM across from corner Speedway. K of C is serving cookies and coffee in the hall afterwards. Cookie donations appreciated.

MILLFEST SIGN-UP~ It's that time again! The Mill Festival will be October 13-15. Sign-up today!

CHOIR PRACTICE~ Many thanks to those of you who have served so faithfully. Practice resumes October 11.

SPECIAL OFFERING NEXT WEEKEND~ Hurricane Irma did not wait for recovery from Hurricane Harvey. Caribbean Islands and Florida are reeling from its effects. Sept. 30 - Oct. 1 a special offering will be taken to aid its victims. Again, please make any checks payable to the Parish.

SAVE THE DATE~ Holy Cow Burger Eat-Off - Sat., Oct. 7 at the Villa Restaurant. More Details next week.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE~ Attention all youth grades 7-12! The annual diocesan youth conference is scheduled for Oct. 15 at St. Mary's School in Marietta with the theme, "Put On Courage." For more information and to sign up for the conference contact Jessica Rodgers at 330-495-4399. Details are in the bulletin insert.

OCTOBERFEST AT ST. JOHN FISHER~ You are invited to join St. John Fisher in Richmond on October 8 from 12PM - 4 PM for their annual Octoberfest. Details are on the bulletin board.

FATIMA FEST PILGRIMAGE~ Be part of the 100th anniversary celebration designed for families Oct. 13-15 at Catholic Familyland in Bloomingdale, OH. Visit AFC.org/FatimaFestPilgrimage for details.

SPECIAL NOTE~ Tues, Sept. 26th is moving day for OLM's office. Any muscle help following Mass is appreciated.

CONDOLENCES~ Our prayers & sympathy to Robert Gundrum and family on the Sept. 14th death of Bob's brother Paul.

Happy Birthday: (OLM) Sadie Pridemore 9/24, Jean Ondusko 9/26, James Ujcich 9/27, Chris Sprague 9/30, Cole Sivy 10/01.

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

Happy Anniversary: (OLM) Tom & Norma Brantch 9/23 (39 yrs), Scott & Mary Ellen Rutledge 9/23 (50), Ed & Jean Ondusko 9/24 (68), Gary & Betty Hauber 9/25 (36), Scott & Tina Taylor 9/25 (18), Bob & Helen Jones. 9/26 (58).

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Lucille Fiddler, Brenda Sandefur,
Dave Leyda, Richard Otte, Sandy Fiddler, Beth Wolford,
Rose Marie Shine, Marilyn 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 Abrahams, 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

September 25

Weekday

Ezr 1:1-6

Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

September 26

Weekday

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20

Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

September 27

St. Vincent de Paul,

Priest

Ezr 9:5-9

Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

September 28

Weekday

Hg 1:1-8

Lk 9:7-9

Friday

September 29

Sts. Michael, Gabriel,

and Raphael,

Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or

Rv 12:7-12a

Jn 1:47-51

Saturday

September 30

St. Jerome, Priest

and Doctor of the Church

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a

Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday

October 1

Twenty-Sixth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28

Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5

Mt 21:28-32

Dear Padre,

Why don't we end the Our Father with an Amen during Mass? When we pray the Our Father outside of Mass, we conclude by saying, "Amen."

I remember this discussion growing up. My father noticed that the pastor of our parish insisted on saying "Amen" after the Our Father by adding his very loud "Amen!" and inviting parishioners to follow.

We know early Christians prayed the Our Father daily, though its inclusion in the eucharistic liturgy happens later, and its placement in the liturgy is not yet consistent. An early reference to the placement of the Our Father from a late-fourth-century text places it at the end of the eucharistic prayer (*A Commentary*

on the Order of Mass of The Roman Missal, 597). Here the people would have responded with the final petition, "deliver us from evil" or "Amen" (597).

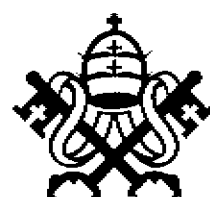
Today the Our Father is part of the Communion rite, but we do not end the

Our Father with an Amen because in the current structure of the Communion rite the Our Father forms part of a unit. Immediately following the Our Father, the celebrant elaborates on the final petition ("deliver us from evil"). He then says the prayer for peace, which concludes with an Amen. These elements are all connected, one flowing to the next and culminating with the people saying, "Amen" (*"Mystagogical Implications," A Commentary on the Order of Mass of The Roman Missal*, 616). Thus, we do conclude the Our Father with an Amen at Mass, but because it is part of a larger prayer during the Mass, the Amen doesn't immediately follow "deliver us from evil."

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Some of you said that this system cannot endure. We must change it. We must put human dignity back at the center and on that pillar build the alternative social structures we need. This must be done with courage but also with intelligence, with tenacity but without fanaticism, with passion yet without violence. And all of us together,

addressing the conflicts without getting trapped in them, always seeking to resolve the tensions in order to reach a higher plane of unity, of peace, and of justice. We Christians have something very lovely, a guide to action...the Beatitudes...(see Matthew 5 and Luke 6)...and the Last Judgment passage (Matthew 25)."

—Address at the World Meeting of Popular Movements, October 28, 2014

Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 24, 2017

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 55:6-9

Phil 1:20c-24, 27a

Mt 20:1-16a

Piece: *The Conversion of St. Paul*, 1542-45

Artist: Michelangelo

Location: Pauline Chapel, Apostolic Palace, Vatican City



A Message of Reform

Alessandro Farnese was elected Pope Paul III in 1534 amidst very difficult times. Martin Luther had left the Church, and many German bishops, along with their kings, were separating from the faith. Part of the push for separation was financial, another part was political, and a third part was spiritual. The papal court and clerical life in Rome were often criticized, encouraging separation.

Pope Paul III started a reform by calling on nine respected cardinals to investigate the accusations and propose measures. The suggestions were received and true reform began to take root—although much of the success was due to the Council of Trent (called by the pope in 1545) and the many saints active at the time: Ignatius, Philip Neri, Teresa of

Ávila, Francis de Sales, Charles Borromeo, and others.

Another measure taken was to contract Michelangelo to paint two frescoes in the Papal Pauline Chapel—the conversion of St. Paul and the crucifixion of St. Peter—a kind of sixteenth-century marketing campaign. This chapel would send a message to all popes and the papal court; indeed, the frescoes challenged everyone in the Curia. Amidst the temptation to power and luxury, the pope was saying, "If you want power, it's the power to serve which requires true conversion and embracing the cross."

The chapel needed a pithy Latin phrase to drive home this message of reform. It comes from today's second reading:

"To me, life is Christ, and death is gain." That's a good phrase to live by as we seek our own ongoing conversion.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I love without strings attached or do I love to get something in return?

"For to me, life is Christ, and death is gain" (Philippians 1:21).