



Our Lady of Mercy St. Brigid's Roman Catholic Family

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www.ourladyofmercyleroy.org

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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

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CONFESSIONS

Our Lady of Mercy Parish

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM

Tuesday: 7:00-7:30 PM

Thursday: 6:00-6:30 PM

St. Brigid's Parish

Saturday: 2:00-2:30 PM



Mass Intentions

Our Lady of Mercy Parish

Monday, January 25-The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

7:30 a.m. † Larry Klinkbeil
by Fred Mangefrida and Linda Legg

Tuesday, January 26-Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7:30 a.m. † Frances Bourdon
by Barb and Loraine

Wednesday, January 27-St. Angela Merici, Virgin

7:30 a.m. † Michael Maser
by Sue Carmichael

Thursday, January 28-St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. † Corinne Maher
by Lloyd and Veronica Dodge

Friday, January 29-Weekday

7:30 a.m. All Souls

Saturday, January 30-BVM

9:00 a.m. † Guy Iannello
by Sam Caccamise

4:30 p.m. † Patty Kellogg
by Gene and Sharron Scott

Sunday, January 31-4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week

7:15 a.m. † Charles Steffenilla
by the Family

10:45 a.m. † Suzanne Scanlan (*Anniv*)
by John and Mary Margaret Scanlan

5:30 p.m. For the People of the Parish

St. Brigid's

Tuesday, January 26-Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

8:30 a.m. † Benjamin Villareale
by Bob and Jan Bausch

Thursday, January 28-St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. † Chris Murnan
by Friends at St. Brigid

Sunday, January 31-4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week

9:00 a.m. † Ruth Beyer (*Anniv*)
by Barb and Family



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. BRIGID: On the first Sunday of each month, there will be a period of Eucharistic Exposition following the 9:00 am Mass. At 2:30 pm, the Rosary and Holy Hour for Our Nation will commence.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AT OUR LADY OF MERCY: There will be Eucharistic Exposition every Sunday at 2:30pm with the Rosary and Holy Hour for Our Nation. This will continue every Sunday with the exception of the first Sunday of each month which will take place at St. Brigid Church. Join us!

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Current MASS SCHEDULE at this stage of reopening during Covid-19 Pandemic

Saturday, 4:30pm -Our Lady of Mercy (Vigil Mass)-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance (by reservation). Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube with Communion in Church for online attendees (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

Sunday, 7:15am - Our Lady of Mercy-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance (by reservation). Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube with Communion in Church for online attendees (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

Sunday 9:00am - Saint Brigid, Bergen-NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED however this Mass has limited capacity and requires physical distancing. Streamed Live on YouTube.

Sunday, 10:45am – Our Lady of Mercy-At Church, with Limited Capacity Attendance (by reservation). Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube with Communion in Church for online attendees (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

Sunday, 5:30pm – Our Lady of Mercy-Streamed Live on Facebook and YouTube from the Church with Communion in Church (up to 45 minutes after Mass)

CALL OR TEXT (585)709-2764 or email request to events@ourladyofmercyleroy.org. (If you call, please leave a voicemail if the call is not answered.)



MERCEDARIAN THIRD ORDER will meet on Monday, January 25th at 6:30 pm. For now, these meetings will be held online.

Our Lady of Mercy Happenings

ADULT FAITH FORMATION—Join us every Wednesday evening from the comfort of your home from 6:30-8:00pm to learn more about our faith and enjoy inspiring conversation. To join in the group contact Denise Spadaccia at (585) 356-4174 or email her at youthminister@ourladyofmercylero.org.



THE DEACON'S CLOSET: The purpose of this ministry is to assist those who cannot afford medically needed equipment to assist with in home care with items such as wheelchairs, canes, walkers, commodes, etc. If you need the use of items, please call 585-813-3588.



Please pray for those who are sick. We especially ask that you remember to pray for the following people:

Chris Beach, William Bochicchio, Janet Boehly, Michelle Balon, Virginia Bennetti, John Caccamise, Doug Charles, Diane Coccia, Kara John (Merica) Coduri, Fr. Eugene Costa, O. de M., Gasper DeFelice, Joshua Dinnar, Lloyd Dodge, Sister Janet Eppolito, John Ferrara, Betty Forti, Arlene L. Glica, Sr. Jude Ellen Golumbjeski, Joe Haitz, Lisa Hauslauer, Kira Hawes, Jeff Hoban, Barbara Howard, Anne Marie Hutchinson, Br. Martin Jarocinski, O. de M., Joanne Johnson, Arnold Kelly, Fr. Oscar Kozyra, O. de M., Joseph and Rita Kuzma, Anita LaMonica, Maryann Loiacono, Madonna Lee, Alex and Erika Lippold, Sharon McBurney, Rita Montgomery, Roger Medley, Suhair Musleh, Victoria Paladino, Louise Panepento, Marian Peck, Elizabeth Perrin, Frank Popowich, Donna Potter, Deb Pratt, Sarah Quirk, Beatrice Radley, Kathleen Rich, Sam Riggi, Phyllis Shephard, Ben Sherman, Rose Sherman, Juliana Spadacino, Berney and Joan Staats, Jennie Starowitz, Thomas and Sharon Steffenella, Barb Stein (Bergen), Donna Stephenson, and Ruth Dries Tusch.

If you or a loved one is sick and would like to be added to this parish list, please call the parish office.

St. Brigid's Happenings

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Again this weekend members of the Holy Name Society will be in back of church after Mass distributing the raffle tickets. If you did not receive any last weekend or need additional tickets, please take some today. Realizing that because of the lock downs and lack of social gatherings, selling tickets will be more difficult so any effort you make will be greatly appreciated.



GREAT NEWS: The 9:00 am Mass at St. Brigid is now live streaming on YouTube. Father Matthew and some members of St. Brigid worked together to accomplish this. Just like most technology, it was not easy. There is still work to be done to make it permanent. Thanks Father Matthew and the team.

You can access the stream by logging directly into YouTube or by going to the Parish web page and scrolling down to the bottom of the main page. The red circle at the bottom under the heading Follow Us is a link to the YouTube stream. Please join us when you can't be in church.



The Sewing Day for t-shirt dresses for the children in Malaysia is being postponed until spring. We will wait until we can gather our seamstresses and helpers in a safe and fun environment.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS
January 17, 2021**

Our Lady of Mercy	\$5,706.00
St. Brigid's.....	\$1,214.00
Candles	\$27.00

Christmas Collection

Our Lady of Mercy	\$5,146.00
St. Brigid's.....	\$1,875.00

Christmas Flowers

Our Lady of Mercy	\$880.00
(Cost of Flowers at Our Lady of Mercy)	\$1,875.00
St. Brigid's.....	\$345.00
(Cost of Flowers at St. Brigid's).....	\$815.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!

The 2019/2020 Financial Report and Budget 2021 for both Our Lady of Mercy and St. Brigid Parishes are available this weekend at the back of both churches. Copies of these documents are also available on the parish website at www.ourladyofmercylero.org.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 24, 2021
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little lightheaded and out of sorts. Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken. Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flippantly do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.



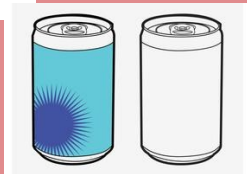
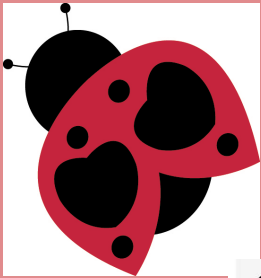
When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.

Catholic
Spiritual Consultation at:
Contact Nonnatus.org



The St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith offers spiritual accompaniment for families in crisis and families affected by divorce. The foundation offers free spiritual consultation with a Mercedarian friar to find healing and help during challenging times. Please email director.srnf@gmail to set up your free consultation. The foundation also offers podcasts for divorced and separated Catholics on YouTube at [Philly Nonnatus](https://www.youtube.com/PhillyNonnatus). Go to Nonnatus.org to learn more about free spiritual services offered for families in crisis. Questions: Email director.srnf@gmail.com.

RECYCLE FOR LOVE BUGS: Your refund for can and bottle deposits can help our children at Love Bugs Preschool. Take your empty bottles and cans to Mickel's Nickels, 80 Lake Street, LeRoy and tell them you would like the money to go to Love Bugs Preschool. It is that easy! We thank you now, and the children will thank you later!



2020 Annual Statement of Contributions

Do you need a copy of your Statement of Contributions for 2020? Annual Statements of your parish contributions are available by email or can be mailed to you by completing this form and providing the parish office with the following information. Return this by mail or drop it into the collection basket.

Envelope Number: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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