



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF

Easter

MAY 13, 2018

God is love, and whoever remains in love
remains in God and God in them.

1 John 4:16

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Our Lady of Mercy Parish
603-424-3757

Pastor: *Rev Paul Bouchard*

Deacon: *Mr. John Castelot*



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, May 12th
Seventh Sunday of Easter

4:30PM: Teresa Fleming req by the Fleming family

SUNDAY, May 13th
Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:30AM: For the deceased priests of our Diocese & for all parishioners

10:30AM: Mary Theresa "Terry" Mullaney req by Don & Alyce Bolduc

MONDAY, May 14th
St. Matthias, Apostle

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Jean Lantiegne Stow req by Allen & Joan Thompson

TUESDAY, May 15th
St. Isidore

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Mary, Don & Donna Desorcy req by Peg Donnelly

WEDNESDAY, May 16th

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: Paul Guay love Mom, Bob & family

THURSDAY, May 17th

NO MASS

FRIDAY, May 18th
St. John I, Pope and Martyr

8:10AM: Morning Prayer

8:30AM: For all deceased parishioners of the parish

SATURDAY, May 19th
Pentecost Sunday

4:30PM: Daniel H. Raby req by his brothers & sisters

SUNDAY, May 20th
Pentecost Sunday

8:30AM: Daniel Vachon (11th anniv) req by his family

10:30AM: Don E. St. Germain req by his mother and for all parishioners

PLEASE NOTE:

If you have booked a Mass and would like for you or your family to bring up the gifts at that Mass, please let one of the ushers know before Mass begins.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of May 6, 2018: \$7052.00

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:30 AM and anticipated vigil: 7:00 PM

Reconciliation: Confessions are available on Saturdays at 3:00 pm and by appointment.

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A Prayer for all Mothers

Thank you, Lord, that you fill a mother's heart with love, that you have instilled in her very being the need to protect her children if at all possible.

Thank you for giving her the gift of nurturing her children, of teaching them, of comforting them, for feeding them and making a safe place for them. Thank you for guiding them to be all that God has created them to be.



Fill every mother with love, wisdom and endurance, with strength and patience and joy. Give them the ability to forgive again and again. Enable her to rely on You and call upon You, because You will give her all she needs. In Your precious and all powerful name. Amen

PARISH FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATIONS

Our Summer Program for 2018 will run from **July 16 through July 27th** for students in grades 1 through 5. Classes will meet on the parish property Monday through Friday from 9:30 am to 11:45 am.

Registrations will be sent home with students who now attend the fall/winter programs and will be mailed to those who attended the Summer Program or the At Home program.

Registrations are ongoing. You may mail in your child's registration form or you may also register and make your payment on our website at www.olmnh.org.

GRADES 6 THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL—EDGE AND LIFETEEN WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS

Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry program which provides a fun safe place for middle school students to find community, get answers to their faith questions and experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. It answers the unique needs of this age group while providing deeply impactful resources.

Lifeteen leads high schoolers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus and His Church. Its mission is to bring teens to Christ in the Eucharist and gather them to be formed in the Roman Catholic faith.

Both these programs will run throughout the summer on a casual basis. Come when you can. There will be no attendance taken and the only requirement is that you are a registered member of Our Lady of Mercy. Students in grades 6 through 8 are invited to attend the Edge Program and students in grades 9 through 12 are invited to attend Lifeteen. **Please check out our website at www.olmnh.org for a schedule of when each program meets.**

Our next session for **LIFETEEN (Gr 9 through 12): May 20, 2018** Topic: Maxed Out

Our next session for **EDGE (Gr 6 through 8): June 3, 2018** Topic: TBA

A Thank You from the Sisters of the Holy Cross

The generosity of the parishioners here at Our Lady of Mercy along with other parishes in the area helped to raise over \$50,000.00 for the children of Mary Gate of Heaven Orphanage in Haiti. Our mission is to provide for the educational needs of the children at the orphanage and provide tuition assistance to the children who have aged out of the orphanage but are still in school. Not only are we able to fulfill our mission but we will be able to ship needed essentials such as personal care items, clothing and Christmas gifts to them.

Each year we are amazed at the generous and loving spirit of the parishioners at Our Lady of Mercy. Thank you for your generosity and congratulations to the winners at your parish: Noreen Fleming and Phyllis Desroche.

Anne Schmidt, Chairperson
Claire Daneau Legacy Fund Committee

Memorial Day Mass



Our Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated on Monday, May 28, 2018 at 8:30 AM in the Last Rest Cemetery.

In case of rain, Mass will be held in the Church. We look forward to celebrating with you as we remember those who have died.

Please bring: Your own folding chair
Insect Repellent
Sunscreen

The Knights of Columbus will be serving coffee and donuts in the church hall after Mass.

Parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 28th in observance of Memorial Day.

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**Ladies Guild Meeting & Speaker
May 15th**

The OLM Ladies Guild is hosting Simcha Fisher to speak at our meeting on May 15th from 10:00 to 2:00. Lunch will be catered, and a headcount will be needed no later than May 10th. The title is "Beautiful Stranger: Making Contact With the Mother of God.



Simcha Fisher is a blogger, podcaster, writer, and mother of ten. She writes for *Parable Magazine*, *America Magazine*, and the *The Catholic Weekly of Australia*. She is the author of *The Sinner's Guide to NFP* and has contributed to several other books, including *A Pope Francis Lexicon*, which was published on February 15.

We look forward to meeting Simcha and as always all ladies of the parish are welcomed for this special presentation. **Please contact Irene Jenness at 424-2362 to RSVP or for further information. Please respond by May 10th at the latest.**

**Knights of Columbus
Tootsie Roll Drive**

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit citizens with intellectual disabilities after all the Masses on **May 19th and 20th**. Your donations are used to support programs geared to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities, and in particular, Special Olympics.

Financial support and volunteering with Special Olympics is an opportunity for the Knights of Columbus to make a direct impact on the quality of life of individuals with intellectual disabilities, and a meaningful contribution within our community.

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of May 12 through May 18 is lit **for the intention of Joseph Peter Abaid.**



If you would like to have the sanctuary Lamp lit in memory of or for the intentions of a loved one, please call the parish office at 424-3757.

120 Club Winners - Congratulations

Week #14: Maureen Hall & Helen Bonenfant

Join us in Praying the Rosary

Sign ups have begun. Each day of May has been dedicated to a specific intention. To participate, simply sign your name on the day you wish to pray the Rosary. Each day can be chosen by more than one person. We pray for the elderly, the lonely, the hopeless and the unborn. We also pray for families and for those who have given their life in service of God by being consecrated or ordained. Life is God's gift of love to all. You will find the sign up sheet at the main entrance of the church.



Celebrate Mom... The Life Matters Committee invites all parishioners to help us in honoring all the special women in our life. They will be offering carnations (suggested donation of \$1.00) after all the Masses next weekend on Mother's Day. Flowers were donated by Alpine Environmental of Chelmsford, MA and all proceeds go the Birth-right.

Holy Family Academy, Manchester

Holy Family Academy in Manchester is once again enrolling for the Fall. There are still some remaining spots and scholarships are available. For more information please email Stephen Canale at scanale@holyfamilyacademy.org or call 644-7247.

St Christopher School Open House

May 20, 2018

11:30am to 1:00 pm

St. Christopher School in Nashua will be holding it's drop-in Spring Open Houses for prospective students and their families on Sunday, May 20th from 11:30 am to 1:00pm. Private tours are always available at any time when school is open. Contact Jackie Langenfeld at 882-7442 ex 114 or email jlangenfeld@stchrisschoolnh.org.

Nashua Catholic Regional Junior High School

Tea and Tours on May 23, 2018

12:30-1:30pm

A relaxed admission event offering beverages, conversation with our principal and tours of our classes. Call to register at 882-7011.

Please Help...

We are again asking for *clean old bed sheets (any size) and small towels (the size of a hand towel) for a gentlemen who is bedridden*. If you have any of these items that are used, don't toss them out. Please drop them at the parish office anytime Monday through Friday from 9am to 4pm. It would be appreciated.

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