

# OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**Social Hall and Rental: 740-896-2207**

## A Parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

**Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor**

Cell: 740-391-1093

**Fr. Walter E. Heinz, Retired**

**Fr. Dale Tornes, Retired**

Mrs. Kristin Offenberger, Secretary

Mr. Eric Fliehman, PSR Coordinator

Mrs. Martha Fliehman, Prayer Chain

Pastoral Musicians:

Evan and Heather Schaad

**Confessions: Saturdays-  
3 PM to 4 PM**

**Rosary: Before each-  
Weekend Mass**

**Parish Council Members:**

Richard Tornes, Michael

Stehly, Brian Brooker, Evan

Schaad, Stephen Huffman,

Alex Bauerbach

**Men's Club:** Meetings will  
be announced.

**Catholic Women's Club:** Meetings will be  
held the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30  
PM in the parish social hall.

**Knights of Columbus:** Meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month at 7:30 PM at the  
K of C Hall, Churchtown.

## October 12, 2025

### THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Baptisms:** Parents are to schedule the baptism of their child at least 2 weeks in advance of the desired date arrangements.

**Confirmation:** To be confirmed, you must attend either the Parish School of Religion, Catholic School, or the OCIA.

**Marriages:** Couples intending to be married at OLM must contact Fr. David at least 6 months in advance of the intended wedding date.

**Sponsor at Baptism or Confirmation:** Must be at least 16 years old; be an active Catholic who has been confirmed, and lead a life that is in harmony with the faith. Sunday

**Visitation of Sick or Homebound:** Please call Father Gaydosik at 740-391-1093, or the Parish Office at 740-896-2207, when someone is hospitalized, homebound, sick.

**St. John Central Elementary School – (740) 896-2697:** Mrs. Rebecca Hilverding, Principal. The Central Catholic Grade School is a combination of the parishes of: St. John the Baptist, Churchtown; Our Lady of Mercy, Lowell, St. Ambrose, Little Hocking; and St. Bernard, Beverly.

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

<b>Sat. Oct. 11</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>Marlene Huck (Clair Huck)</b> St. John Frank & Gladys Schilling (Family)	<b>4:00 PM</b> 6:00 PM
<b>Sun. Oct. 12</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>Sandy Schilling (7yr. Anniv. 10/13) (Her Children )</b> St. John Leo Huck (Lloyd & Bonnie Flowers) St. John George & Catherine Arnold (Larry & Nora Huffman)	<b>9:30 AM</b> 7:30 AM 11:00 AM
<b>Mon. Oct. 13</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>No Mass</b> St. John Catherine Arnold (Bernard & Marilyn Schilling) Paul & Lorene Huffman (Larry & Nora Huffman)	<b>No Mass</b> 8:00 AM
<b>Tue. Oct. 14</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>Don Holmes (Debbie Misel)</b> <b>Marian Stalter (Neil &amp; Joyce Huck)</b> St. John No Mass	<b>5:00PM</b>  No Mass
<b>Wed. Oct. 15</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>No Mass</b> St. John Dave Bowen (STJ CWC) <b>School Mass</b> Mary Schwendeman (Family)	<b>No Mass</b> 8:30 AM
<b>Thurs. Oct. 16</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>Linda Huck (Doug &amp; Mary Parks)</b> <b>Cheryl Brooker (Brian Brooker)</b> St. John No Mass	<b>5:00PM</b>  No Mass
<b>Fri. Oct. 17</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>No Mass</b> St. John Richard & Bertha Pottmeyer (Pottmeyer Children) Dave Denius (Vincent Huck Family)	<b>No Mass</b> 8:00 AM
<b>Sat. Oct. 18</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>Patricia Huck (Ron &amp; Delores Kelby)</b> St. John Earl & Justine Tornos (Doug & Mary Park Family)	<b>4:00 PM</b> 6:00 PM
<b>Sun. Oct. 19</b>	<b>OLM</b>	<b>L &amp; D of Joe &amp; Ida Huck Family (Family)</b> St. John Larry Schaad (Stan Lang Family) St. John Jim Thieman (Norma Thieman Family)	<b>9:30 AM</b> 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

### OLM

#### Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Lectors	Altar Servers
<b>OLM: 10/18 (4 PM)</b> Lisa Berendts	<b>OLM: 10/18 (4 PM)</b> Jackson Long, <b>Volunteer needed</b>
<b>OLM: 10/19 (9:30 AM)</b> Alex Bauerbach	<b>OLM: 10/19 (9:30 AM)</b> Declan, Joel, Vivian Schaad
Eucharistic Ministers	USHERS (Month of October)
<b>OLM: 10/18 (4 PM)</b> Stephen Huffman	<b>SAT: Volunteers</b> needed, See Cecil to sign up
<b>OLM: 10/19 (9:30 AM)</b> David Bauerbach	<b>SUN: Ron Miller, Volunteer</b> needed

#### God Bless those who support our Parishes!

**OLM: \$1,601.00 (56); Offertory \$431.00; St Vincent Society \$264.00 (14); Immaculate. Heart \$5.00 (1); St. John \$5.00 (1)**

#### OLM 50/50 Winner: Denise Stehly– Congratulations!

### 2025 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign

*“Be strong and take heart, all who hope in the Lord.”*

~ Psalm 31:25

**Our Lady of Mercy Goal: \$21,945.00**

**Pledged to date \$27, 460.00**

**Paid to date (44)**

**\$26,710.00**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**



## OLM CWC

All women of the parish are members of the Catholic Woman's Club.

### October Committee

Susan (Mike) Huck (Chair)	Denise Pottmeyer
Jenna Long	Amy Lang
Kay Offenberger	Katheryn Arnold
Elizabeth Moore	

### **PIES, NOODLES, & CAKES**

Our Lady of Mercy CWC is taking orders for homemade chicken pies, noodles, and angel food cakes through Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Frozen chicken pies are \$14 each. Noodles are \$8 per bag and are available in wide or narrow width. Angel food cakes are \$8 each. To place an order, please contact Heather Peters at 740-350-6972 or Marilyn Peters at 740-350-1751.



### **PSR IS STARTING UP**

PSR classes will start this Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> following the 9:30 AM Sunday Mass. PSR Guidelines and student info forms are available at the back entrance to the church, if you have not completed a form, please fill them out and return them to your child's instructor.

### **JUBILEE OF MARRIAGE CELEBRATION**

Offering a special Mass in recognition of significant wedding anniversaries for the people of the Diocese of Steubenville. Couples celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 35<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 55<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+ (every year thereafter) anniversaries of marriage are invited to attend. The Mass in our area will be celebrated at 12 Noon on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary Basilica, Marietta. All couples presenting themselves for recognition at the Mass must register and be living in union with the Catholic Church, that is, married in the presence of a priest. For those wishing to attend, please register by notifying Father or the parish office by October 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **MASS FOR THOSE WHO LOST A CHILD**

Are you grieving the loss of a child or grandchild from any circumstances (miscarriage, trauma, abortion, illness, suicide, etc.)? Come join us for a Mass of Remembrance and pray for the soul of your beloved child or grandchild and have a chance to meet others who have suffered a similar loss. Mass will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 AM, at Holy Family, Steubenville. For additional information, contact Joseph A. Schmidt, Director of the Diocesan Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life, by phone at 740-516-9270,

## **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Jesus had healed ten people afflicted with leprosy, but only one of them returned to give him thanks. We might wonder why the others didn't come back. Maybe they couldn't connect the dots: God himself had healed them on their way. It seems that only this one person—a Samaritan—realized that he had been in the presence of the divine. And he didn't just say, "Thank you," either. He fell at Jesus' feet and worshipped God "in a loud voice" (Luke 17:15). This can be a model for us. Our own gratitude can lead us to worship the One who has given us abundant life, both now and forever. We can worship the Lord in many ways, but today, let's imitate the Samaritan in today's Gospel: *He glorified God in a loud voice (Luke 17:15)*. You can worship the Lord in silent prayer, but giving praise to God out loud expresses your gratitude in a deliberate, concrete way. As your praise reaches the heavens, your heart will be lifted up as well. That's why the psalmist writes, "Bless our God, you peoples; loudly sound his praise" (66:8). *He fell at the feet of Jesus (Luke 17:16)*. Worship also involves our posture. That's why we stand and kneel at Mass. Maybe you like to pray in your favorite chair each morning. But occasionally, especially when you are offering praise and thanksgiving to the Lord, you might try standing, kneeling, or even lying prostrate on the floor. In all these ways, you are expressing your love and gratitude to the Lord with your body. At Mass today, sing out your praise! Join the choir "in a loud voice" (Luke 17:15) and worship the Lord with all your heart. Kneel in adoration before the King of kings. Rejoice because the Lord says to you, as he did to the Samaritan, "Your faith has saved you" (17:19).

~ The Word Among Us

## **POPE INTENTIONS**

### **Prayer Intentions for October For Collaboration Between Different Religious Traditions**

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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## **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

### **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**147: Ex 17: 8-13      Ps 121: 1-8**

**2 Tm 3: 14—4:2      Lk 18: 1-18**

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## **A VOCATION VIEW**

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude ask him how he would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow him as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother?

(Luke 17: 11-19)

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## **STEUBENVILLE SEMINARIANS**

The following men are in formation for ordination to the sacred Priesthood for service in the Diocese of Steubenville. Please remember them in your prayers.

*Studying at the Pontifical College Josephinum*

(7625 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43235-1499)

**Maximilian Kolbe Gan, Jonathan Ruscoe, Riley Morris, John Paul Gan, William Gugala, and Aaron Pabin**

*Studying at the Saint Vincent Seminary*

(300 Fraser Purchase Rd., Latrobe, PA 15650)

**Christopher McGurn and Sam Ivkovich**

*Keep in your prayers:*

**Deacon Peter Stetson, Deacon Ryan Budd,  
and Caleb Baker**

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Vocations

Fr. Nicholas V. Ginnetti, Vocation Director

Vocation links: Twitter @ [dsvocations](#)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/dsvocations](http://www.facebook.com/dsvocations) or

Diocesan Vocation Website: <http://steubenville.vocations.com>.

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As we witness the end of summer, the deep vibrant deep hues of fall flowers and panoramas of fall leaves capture our gaze. Like our lives, these rich vibrant colors, produced by different weather conditions, replace the soft pastels of spring blossoms and flowers. God has already planted dandelions seeds and acorns. He is preparing the fall leaves to mature their growth. God cares for us even more carefully because He sent His Son to experience our humanity and have it share in His Resurrection.

## **ST JOHN NEWS**

**SOCKTOBER**—Mrs. Klinger & The 6th Grade Class at St. John Central School is collecting socks for the Washington County Homeless Project in the month of October. You can drop off socks at St. John School or at any local parishes; Our Lady of Mercy, St. John, St. Bernard, or St. Ambrose. Even a small act of kindness, such as donating a pair of socks, can make a big difference in the lives of others.

**CASINO NIGHT**—St. John Central School 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraising Event “Casino Night” is scheduled for November 15<sup>th</sup> with doors opening at 4:30 PM. Call or text 740-336-5313 to purchase a ticket.

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## **SEARCH” FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY**

The Search weekends for boys and girls is scheduled and coming up. If you are between the ages of 16-21 and interested in attending please contact Alana Henry at 440-539-3763 by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

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## **ST. STEPHEN GAME NIGHT**

The CWC of St. Stephen, Caldwell is hosting its annual game night on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 5 PM to 8 PM. Cost is \$10 per person and includes delicious snacks throughout the night. Bring your family, friends, and favorite games for a night of fun.

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## **DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY SPEAKER**

St. Bernard Church, Beverly is sponsoring Mr. Eddie Cotter, co-founder of the Dead Theologians Society, to present a program on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM at the Cornerstone in Beverly. If you have any questions, contact Yvonne Huck at 740-516-0737.

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## **POST 750 STEAK FRY**

The American Legion Post 750, Lowell, is holding a steak fry on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, from 5 to 8 PM. Costs are: grilled steak-\$15.00, baked steak-\$10.00, grilled chicken -\$10.00, and no meat- \$5.00. Dinners include meat, baked potato, salad, and a roll. For take-out orders, please call 740-896-3326.

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## **THANK YOU**

We want to extend a big thank you to Meade and Tana Huck for their donation of the pumpkins, gourds, and corn that were used to decorate our church. Your support has a significant and beautiful impact on our church. Thank you for your generous gift.

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## **OCTOBER COUNTS**

In October, the Diocese asked that a count of the number of parishioners that attend all weekend Masses be recorded. Ushers, please mark the attendance on the sheet available on the bulletin board at the back of the church. Thank you.