

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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 1st and
3rd Mondays of the month at 7:30 PM at the
K of C Hall, Churchtown.

June 14, 2026

ELEVENTH 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.

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 Catho-
lic 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

Sat. June 13	OLM	Lauren Payne (Tim & Jody Huck) St. John Diane Arnold (4yr. Anniv.) (Alvin Arnold Family)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. June 14	OLM	Deceased Family Members (Stephen & Jenna Huffman) St. John Barb Wolfe (Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM
Mon. June 15	OLM	No Mass St. John Regis Huck(Dave & Barbra Huck)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Tue. June 16	OLM	Victor & Rita Anne Ciacetta (Jason & Jennifer Morris Family) St. John No Mass	5:00 PM No Mass
Wed. June 17	OLM	No Mass St. John Nick Brooker (Howard Brooker)	No Mass 8:00
AM			
Thurs. June 18	OLM	Gary Pottmeyer (Ken, Jan, & Michelle Long) St. John No Mass	5:00 PM No Mass
Fri. June 19	OLM	No Mass St. John Ralph Way (Richard & Brenda Arnold Family)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Sat. June 20	OLM	Kendrick Schwendeman (1yr. Anniv.) (Parents, Sister, and Family) St. John Edith Brooker (Family)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. June 21	OLM	Lloyd & Evelyn Miller (Ron & Linda Miller) St. John Larry Schaad (Janet Schaad Family) St. John People of the STJ Parish (Parish)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

God Bless those who support our Parishes!

OLM:\$1,904.00 (53); Offertory \$517.00

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Lectors

OLM: 06/20 (4 PM) Alex Bauerbach

OLM: 06/21 (9:30AM) Abigail Offenberger

Eucharistic Ministers

OLM: 06/20 (4 PM) Heather Peters

OLM: 06/21 (9:30AM) Ken Long

Altar Servers

OLM: 06/20 (4 PM) Aaron, Emily, & Taylor Schaad

OLM: 06/21 (9:30AM) Kate & Ashton Schultheis, Vinny Huffman

USHERS (Month of June)

SAT: Jim Long, Volunteer

SUN: Jim Schwendeman, Ron Miller



2026 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign

“Sharing the Peace of Christ”



Our Lady of Mercy Goal: \$22,179.00

Pledged to date: \$22,590.00

Paid to date (34): \$21,690.00

DPSC 2026. The DPSC is more than just a campaign—it is the lifeblood of our diocese ministries and programs. Your generosity helps to fund those critical ministries, forming the next generation of Catholics, and supporting our seminarians studying for the priesthood. It also provides care for our retired priests, administrative support to our Catholic schools. It provides funding for our outreach to the poor, for marriage and family ministries and efforts to promote a culture of life. *Regardless of what the Vatican decides about the future of our diocese, the work of the Church—including our parishes schools, and other ministries—must continue. All funds received through the DPSC are donor restricted and will remain in the Diocese of Steubenville.*

OLM CWC

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

June Committee

Marlene Greene (Chair)	Susan (Rob) Huck
Brie Fliehm	Betty Lang
Patti Schwendeman	Angela Bennett
Victoria Robinson	



The Sacred Heart of Jesus symbolizes Christ's boundless love, mercy, and compassion for humanity, inviting believers to respond with devotion, reparation, and trust.

THINKING OF YOU

June 20th marks **Fr. Gaydosik's 39th Anniversary** of his Priestly Ordination. Please keep him close in your prayers as he continues his recovery. May God strengthen, comfort, and bless him in every step of healing.

OLM 50/50 CLUB NEWS

The **2026–2027 tickets are now being collected.** If you were one of the **62 participants from last year** and would like to continue in the club, please be sure to get your chance in to win \$25.00 per week and attend a steak dinner/drawing where larger prizes are awarded. Please pay one of the Team Leaders or put the money in an envelope with your name on it marked 50/50 and place it in the collection basket. Tickets are \$50.00 each.

ECUMENICAL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School, sponsored by the Lowell Area Ecumenical Cooperative, will take place July 13TH–15TH, from 9 AM to 12 PM on Buell Island. Children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to join for Bible stories, singing, crafts, snacks, and plenty of fun. To register, call 740-350-0889.

WEEKEND ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at Mary's Altar are in loving memory of Vincent & Allene Huck
by: Ben & Lisa Berendts



HOW MUCH ?

... (Romans 5:9)

A passage from the bible can seem so complex that we might feel tempted to gloss over it. But don't! Spend a little time with it, and you'll see that it is filled with words of great encouragement and promise. First, Paul explains that Jesus offered himself up for us "while we were still helpless" (Romans 5:6). He admits that we were trapped in sin and unable to pull ourselves out of it. If anything, we kept digging ourselves into a deeper hole. But, Paul proclaims, that's what makes Jesus' sacrifice so astounding. *He gave his life for me when I was in such a sorry state!* Paul says, in fact, that this is how God "proves" how much he loves us: "While we were still sinners Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). Jesus' cross forever stands as the evidence that no matter how low we may fall, no matter how selfish and prideful we may be, God still loves us. He still wants to rescue us and restore us to himself. Having explained how God proves his love for us, Paul goes on to describe the confidence this love can give us. And he does it by stacking one rhetorical question on top of another: if Jesus has rescued us by his death, *how much more* will he protect us from "the wrath" that sin produces in the world (Romans 5:9)? *How much more* "will we be saved" from every evil in this world (5:10)? How much more indeed! There's no limit to his love. So every time you catch yourself wondering whether you are "good enough" for Jesus to love you, remember those three words: *how much more!* Remember the cross. Remember the love that moved him to give himself up to death—for you. Gaze upon the cross and let Jesus tell you how valuable and how precious you are to him. Then stand tall and joyfully "boast" to yourself about the love that God has for you. (Romans 5:11). Rejoice in the love that redeems and reconciles and saves and heals. The love that does so much more.

~The Word Among Us

POPE INTENTIONS

Prayer Intentions for June

For The Values of Sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

94: Jer 20: 10-13

Ps 69: 8-10, 17, 33-35

Rom 3: 12-15

Mt 10: 26-33

A VOCATION VIEW

The harvest is good but laborers are scarce. Beg the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers to gather his harvest.

(Matthew 9: 9-13)

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, OH 43235)

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 McGum and Sam Ivkovich

Keep in your prayers:

Deacon Caleb Baker

**And Newly Ordained Priests, Father Peter Stetson
and Father Ryan Budd,**

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Vocations
Fr. Nicholas V. Ginnetti, Vocation Director
Vocation links: Twitter @ [dsvocations](#)
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/dsvocations](#) or
Diocesan Vocation Website: [http://steubenvillevocations.com](#).

FAMILY REUNION

A family reunion of the Descendants of Joe and Ida Huck will be at Noon on Sunday, June 28th, at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share.

K OF C NEWS

K OF C FOURTH DEGREE-The Bishop Hartley Assembly 840 will be meeting on June 14th at 2 PM at St. Ambrose, Little Hocking. Please make every effort to attend, as we will be electing officers for the upcoming year.

STAG FISH FRY- K of C Council 4617, Churchtown is hosting a Fish Fry on Sunday, June 21st, from 12 PM to 3 PM. This event is open to **Gentlemen** of the general public and all K of C Members. Cost is \$15 for all you can eat fish, French fries, coleslaw, and drinks. 50/50 and tool raffle tickets available at the door. Any questions, please contact Derek Kern at 740-516-7219.

HEALTH SCREENING

Take a step toward better health! Life Line Screening will be at St. John Central School, Churchtown on June 15th, offering quick, painless tests for stroke risk, heart rhythm issues, osteoporosis, and more. Pre-registration is required. Register by calling 1-844-591-7160 or email to <https://llsa.social/HC> or Text "circle" to 216-279-1607.

POST 750 STEAK FRY

The American Legion Post 750 is holding a public steak fry on Saturday, June 20th, from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Post in Lowell. 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. Come support your local American Legion.

ST. BERNARD NEWS

St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Beverly is holding their annual social and dinner on Wednesday, June 24th. Meal time is from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM for a chicken and/or ham dinner with many delicious sides and desserts available. An Adult Meal is \$15.00, and a Child Meal (ages 10 and under) is \$6.00. Take-out is available. Social begins at 4:00 PM, which includes a raffle, children's games, bingo (5 PM), and more to enjoy. For additional information, you may contact the St Bernard Parish office at 740-984-2555 or email to StBerBev@Frontier.com.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The L-A Fire & Rescue will be holding an ice cream social on Saturday, July 18th, starting at 4 PM, on Buell Island, Lowell. There will be food, music, inflatables, bingo, raffle, and a county store. Come and bring a lawn chair to support your local volunteer rescue workers.

