

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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A Parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor

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Fr. Walter E. Heinz, Retired

Fr. Dale Tornes, Retired

Mrs. Kristin Offenberger, Secretary

Mr. Eric Fliehm, PSR Coordinator

Mrs. Martha Fliehm, 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,

November 02, 2025

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL OF THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

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

Sat. Nov. 01 (All Saints)	OLM	George & Dorothy Wendts (Marilyn & Heather Peters) St. John Anna Mae Brooker (Doug & Mary Parks)	4:00 PM
Sun. Nov. 02 (All Souls)	OLM	Jim Huck (Greg & Marlene Greene) St. John Carolyn Saffell (Mary Brooker Family) St. John Larry & Jackie Arnold (Larry & Nora Huffman)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM
Mon. Nov. 03	OLM	No Mass St. John Donna Zoller (Scott & Diane Hockenberry)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Tue. Nov. 04	OLM	L & D of OLM CWC (OLM CWC) St. John No Mass	5:00PM No Mass
Wed. Nov. 05	OLM	No Mass St. John Ronnie Lang (STJ Parish)	No Mass 8:30 AM
Thurs. Nov. 06	OLM	Tess Huck (Tammy Offenberger) St. John No Mass	5:00PM No Mass
Fri. Nov. 07	OLM	No Mass St. John Cindy Bosner (Chris Pottmeyer)	No Mass 6:00 PM
Sat. Nov. 08 (All Saints)	OLM	Hud & Rosemary Lang (Debbie Misel) St. John Howard & Edna Dyar (Jerry & Virginia Dyar)	4:00 PM
Sun. Nov. 09 (All Souls)	OLM	Kenneth & Margaret Yeomans (David & Joanie Yeomans) St. John Ralph E. Stollar (Vince & Shelly Stollar) St. John Richard & Bertha Pottmeyer (Children)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

OLM

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Lectors	Altar Servers
OLM: 11/08 (4 PM) Shelly Medley	OLM: 11/08 (4 PM) Jackson Long, Volunteer Needed
OLM: 11/09 (9:30 AM) Susan Huck	OLM: 11/09 (9:30 AM) Caleb Schaad, Kate & Ashton Schultheis
Eucharistic Ministers	USHERS (Month of November)
OLM: 11/08 (4 PM) Jenna Huffman	SAT: Mark Huck, Tony Offenberger
OLM: 11/09 (9:30 AM) Marlene Greene	SUN: Damian Huck, David Bauerbach

God Bless those who support our Parishes!

OLM: \$1,306.00 (57); Offertory \$546.10; St Vincent Society \$70.00 (2); Church Improvement \$20.00 (1);
OLM Cemetery \$321.00 (14)

OLM 50/50 Winner: Kenny Offenberger– Congratulations!

NOVEMBER MONTH FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

As a reminder of our duty to pray for the suffering faithful in Purgatory, the Church has dedicated the month of November to the Holy Souls. The Holy Souls are those who have died in the state of grace but who are not yet free from all punishment due to their unforgiven venial sins. They are certain of entering Heaven, but first they must suffer in Purgatory. The Holy Souls cannot help themselves because for them “the night has come, when no man can work” (John 9:4). It is our duty and privilege that we can shorten their time of separation from God by our prayers, good works, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

OLM CWC

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

NOVEMBER Committee

Kathy Reed (Chair)
Sherry Wittekind
Beth Bauerbach
Cathy Cheeseman

Jennifer Morris
Debbie Mankins
Christy Haines

LAMB THANKSGIVING DRIVE

The Lowell Food Pantry is preparing for each area family in need a Thanksgiving meal bag. Each church of the



Ecumenical Cooperative has been assigned an item to include with each meal bag. **OLM has been assigned turkey gravy.** For those willing and able to donate individual cans or jars of turkey gravy to be placed in each Thanksgiving bag. Please place items donated on the Thanksgiving table located at the front of the church. Cash/ Check donations made payable to LAMB are also welcome. All donations are needed by November 23rd.

Other items also in need for the pantry include:

- granola bars, muffins, pop tarts, graham crackers
- seasoning packets (such as Taco, Ranch, Grillmates)
- pickles, yams, tuna
- tea/lemonade/hot chocolate mix.

Due to the state of the economy and government funding, there is an increase in families needing assistance. Thank you for any and all donations, to ensure everyone can enjoy a Thanksgiving meal.



WEEKEND ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at Mary's Altar this weekend are in loving memory and honor of John Karol Morris.

By: Jason and Jennifer Morris Family

FAITH COMES BEFORE HOPE

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us it's his Father's will that "everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life" (John 6:40). *Everyone* who believes in Jesus! God the Father, who created us in love, wants us to experience his love forever. He deeply desires that everyone be saved. Today, on All Souls' Day, the whole Church prays in accord with the expressed will of God: that all the souls in purgatory will see Jesus and finally be received into the perfect joy of heaven. How much hope this can give us! How encouraging, too, that our Father's mercy extends beyond our comprehension. He is so merciful that he even allows everyone who dies "in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified" to continue to undergo purification—all so that we can receive eternal life (*Catechism*, 1030)! God wants us to have this hope of eternal life both for ourselves *and* for our loved ones. As St. Paul writes in our second reading, "Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit" (Romans 5:5). Our hope is rooted in our faith in a loving, merciful God. We know that Jesus died and rose for us so that everyone could be saved (5:10). So we trust in that same love and mercy for our loved ones, just as we do for ourselves. As you pray for all the souls in purgatory at Mass today, ask God to fill you with hope. Let him remind you of his everlasting love for you and for all those who have already passed away. As the celebrant lifts up the host and chalice, thank God for sending Jesus so that "everyone" may see him and believe in him. He has promised to raise us "on the last day" (John 6:40)—and that's a promise we can put our faith in!

~ The Word Among Us

POPE INTENTIONS

Prayer Intentions for November

For the Prevention of Suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERN BASILICA

671: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46: 2-9

1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2: 13-22

A VOCATION VIEW

Can I risk sharing the goodness God has given to me?
Can I care for the needs of my brothers and sisters?
Can I respond to God as a priest, brother, or sister?

(Luke 19: 1-10)

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

MARY'S HOUSE BAG AND BASKET BINGO

Mary's House will be holding their annual Bag and Basket Bingo on Sunday, November 9th, starting at 2 PM (doors open at 1 PM) at the St. Bernard Social Hall, Beverly. The cost is 20 Games for \$25.00. Tickets will be sold at the door only. A 50/50 drawing, raffle, and concession stand will be present.



PORK AND SAUERKRAUT DINNER

St. Mary's of the Immaculate Conception, Fulda is holding their annual Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner, November 2nd from 10:30 AM to 1 PM. Menu includes: pork, sauerkraut, brie boule, mashed potatoes, homemade noodles, cooked apples, dessert, and drink. Cost is \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children. Dine-in or carry-out is available. Everyone is welcomed.

OX ROAST

St. Ambrose, Little Hocking will be holding an ox roast on Sunday, November 9th, from 11 AM to 2 PM. The menu includes beef or turkey, noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, and a dessert. Cost: Adults-\$15 and \$10 for Children 6yrs. to 10yrs. There will be a raffle for a beautiful quilt made by the St. Ambrose Quilting Club.

ST JOHN NEWS

VETERANS DAY MASS—In celebration of Veterans Day, St. John Central School is hosting a special Mass to celebrate Veterans. The Mass will be held at 9 AM on Monday, November 10th at St. John the Baptist Church. Following Mass, a breakfast for the Veterans and a small program will be held. Thank you for your service!

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

AED TRAINING

The Beverly Squad Department generously donated an AED to the Knights of Columbus 4617, Churchtown. We truly appreciate their support and commitment to community health and safety. To ensure that our community is confident and prepared to use the AED equipment effectively, the Knights will be hosting a training session on Monday, November 10th, at 7 PM at the K of C Hall, Churchtown. All people from the community are welcome and encouraged to attend. Light refreshments to follow. If you have any questions, call Tanner Pottmeyer at 740-516-4749.

