

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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A Parish of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Steubenville

July 16, 2023

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor

Cell: 740-391-1093

Fr. Walter E. Heinz, Retired/In Residence

Fr. Dale Tornes, Retired

Mrs. Kristin Offenberger, Secretary

Mr. David Bauerbach, Parish Council President

Ms. Heather Peters, PSR Coordinator

Mrs. Martha Flichman, Prayer Chain

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

**Rosary: Before each weekend
Mass**

Parish Council: Council Meetings will be
announced.

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.

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
RCIA.

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 homebound, sick, or hospitalized.

St. John Central Elementary School - (740) 896-2697:
Mrs. Karen Pottmeyer, **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. July 15	OLM Clarence & Gertrude Huck (The Family) St. John L & D of Leo & Lucy Huck Family (Dave & Barb Huck)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. July 16	OLM Howard & Patricia Huck (Mike & Zandra Francis) St. John Bob Lang (Pat & Krista Schoippner) St. John Richard Pottmeyer (Bertha Pottmeyer Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM
Mon. July 17	OLM No Mass St. John Mary E. Huck (Russ Kern Family)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Tue. July 18	OLM Linda Huck (Tom & Martha Flieman) St. John George & Catherine Arnold (Bernard & Marilyn Schilling)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Wed. July 19	OLM No Mass St. John L & D of Lewis J. & Audrey Lang Family (Mona Barret Family)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Thur. July 20	OLM Larry Zwick (Mike & Marilyn Schaad) St. John Penny Schwendeman (STJ Card Club)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Fri. July 21	OLM No Mass St. John Lorraine Henke (Mary Brooker & Family)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Sat. July 22	OLM Harold & Mildred Offenberger (The Family) St. John David Kuhn (Jerry & Virginia Dyar)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. July 23	OLM L & D of Frank & Virginia Offenberger Family (The Family) St. John Frank & Virginia Offenberger (The Family) St. John Alvin & Helen Smith Family (Donna Tornes & Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

God Bless Those Who Support Our Parish!

OLM: \$1,617.00 (53); Offertory \$221.00; Ave Maria \$20.00 (1); Improvement Fund \$100.00 (8)

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Lectors

OLM: 07/22 (4 PM) Sharon Pottmeyer
 OLM: 07/23 (9:30AM) Eric Flieman

Altar Servers

OLM: 07/22 (4 PM) Kasey Lang, Jackson Long
 OLM: 07/23 (9:30AM) Ross, Kate, & Ashton Schultheis

Eucharistic Ministers

OLM: 07/22 (4 PM) Sue Huck
 OLM: 07/23 (9:30AM) Marlene Greene

USHERS (Month of July)

SAT: Terry Schwendeman, Bruce Schaad
 SUN: Tom Flieman, Pat Lang

2023 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign

“The Eucharist is a Fire that Inflames Us!”

~ St. John Chrysostom

Our Lady of Mercy Goal:	\$18, 246.00
Paid to date (46)	\$31, 825.00
Pledged to date	\$35, 450.00

Thank you for your generosity.



OLM CWC

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

July Committee

*Linda Miller Marlene Walbert
Melissa Tornes Jill Kendall
Kristin Offenberger

OLM 50/50 NEWS

We have begun drawing the 2023-2024 winners of the OLM 50/50 Club. Congratulations to the following participants:

1. Fr. Dale Tornes
2. Dennis Stehly
3. Jay Pottmeyer
4. Brenda Eddy
5. Dwight Lang
6. Susan Arnold
7. Babs Douglas
8. Kenny Offenberger
9. Ronnie Bauerbach
10. Christy Haines
11. Lois Arnold

Anyone who is interested in drawing the winning number each week is welcome to come by the parish office on Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon. Thank you for your participation and support.

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

A Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Day is scheduled at St. Bernard Catholic Church, Beverly on July 22 from 9 AM to 5 PM. In addition to a Mass with the Bishop, the Eucharistic Revival Event will include many opportunities to be educated and inspired about the faith, with keynote speakers: Matthew Leonard, author, speaker, filmmaker, and founder of the Science of Sainthood, an online platform to help Catholics radically transform their spiritual lives and grow toward sainthood. The day will also include breakout sessions led by Gregory Schutte (founder of Eucharistic Marriages), Suzanne Lewis and Bernhard Streisselberger. Come and enrich your faith by celebrating this local pilgrimage of reawakening. Please, RSVP for the free lunch for this event at www.diosteub.org/diocesan-day-of-eucharistic-revival.

CARD SHOWER

Mildred Schwendeman (OLM oldest parishioner) turns 95 years old on July 12th. Help Mildred celebrate her birthday by sending cards to:

Mildred Schwendeman
Appletree Assisted Living
1027 Lakeview Drive
Beverly, OH 45715

GRANDPARENTS' DAY July 23rd

Marked this year on July 23 on the Sunday before the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, the grandparents of Jesus. The Vatican will again offer a plenary indulgence to mark the third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on July 23. The indulgence can be received by grandparents, the elderly, and all Catholics who, "motivated by the true spirit of penance and charity," participate in Pope Francis' July 23 Mass in St. Peter's Basilica or another Grandparents' Day celebration, or who visit the elderly, the Vatican said. Chosen by Pope Francis, the theme of Grandparents' Day 2023 comes from a verse in the Gospel of Luke: "His mercy is from age to age." It will be marked this year on July 23, the Sunday before the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, the grandparents of Jesus. An indulgence is defined by the Catechism of the Catholic Church as "a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven." The usual conditions for a plenary indulgence require the individual to be in a state of grace, have complete detachment from sin, and pray for the Pope's intentions. The person must also sacramentally confess their sins and receive Communion, up to about 20 days before or after the prayers for the indulgence. In his decree, Cardinal Piacenza asked priests to be more available to hear confessions in light of the possible indulgence. The July 5 decree stipulated that one way to receive the plenary indulgence for Grandparents' Day is by dedicating time on July 23 to visiting the elderly, particularly those who are sick, disabled, or abandoned. A phone or video call can also count, the Vatican said. Those who would like to participate in the indulgence but are unable to leave their homes due to sickness, age, or another serious reason, the decree said, can unite themselves spiritually to the celebrations of the day through "offering to the Merciful God their prayers, pain, and the suffering of their lives" while watching the pope's Mass or another celebration on TV or online. Pope Francis, who often speaks about the dignity of the elderly and the importance of grandparents in passing on the faith, established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021. ~ *Fr. David Gaydosik*

POPE FRANCIS
Prayer Intentions for July
For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

106: Wis 12: 13, 16-19 Ps 86: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16
Rom 8: 26-27 Mt 13:24-43

A VOCATION VIEW

The sower went out to sow. The Lord has sown the seeds of vocations to priesthood and religious life in our parish. Be good ground! Encourage the gifts of compassion and leadership wherever you find them.
(Matthew 13: 1-23)

STEBENVILLE 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)

John Paul Gan and Jonathan Ruscoe

Studying at the Sacred Heart Major Seminary
(2701 Chicago Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48206)

Peter Stetson, Christopher McGurn, and Sam Ivkovich

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Vocations
Fr. Josh Erickson, Vocation Director
Vocation links: Twitter @ dsvocations
Facebook: www.facebook.com/dsvocations or
Diocesan Vocation Website:
<http://steubenvillevocations.com>



CORN ROAST

The Lowell American Legion Post 750 is holding a Corn Roast on August 5, from 4

PM - 10 PM at the Post. There will be food, a beer garden, raffles and 50/50 drawings with cash prizes. There will be kid games for the children, so bring the whole family. This event is open to the public with music provided by Jake Binegar and Jesse Forester. Come enjoy live music and family fun while supporting your local American Legion.

ST. JOHN'S CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Bingo Group Work Schedule

July 16 Team #1 Jeff Brooker 749-3538
July 23 Team #2 Jessica Henke 896-3705

TEACHER NEEDED

St. John is hiring for the 2023-2024 school year a Full-Time Certified Fourth Grade Teacher. For interested applicants, please contact Karen Pottmeyer (Principal) at 740-525-3623 (cell) or Michelle Schwendeman at 740-896-2697 (school) for additional information.

ST JOHN CENTRAL SCHOOL - SCRIP PROGRAM

The Scrip is easy to use. The program uses gift cards that you purchase at face value for your everyday shopping or restaurant needs through St. John School and a percentage of that is given back to the school. The gift cards would also make great gifts for birthdays and holidays. St John offers a wide variety of franchise cards either on hand, or that can be easily ordered. Please contact St John's Parish Office at 740-896-3566 on a Wednesday or Thursday morning to place an order or get more information.

ECUMENICAL VBS

The Ecumenical VBS is planned on Buell Island, Lowell for July 17 through July 19 from 9 AM to 12 PM. This is for children 5 to 12 years of age. There will be flyers available in the back of the church if interested. The theme this year is "Be A Hero for God." For more information, please contact Dan Beals at 740-350-0889.

GOLF OUTING

K of C 4617 Annual Golf Outing will be held Sunday, August 20 at Lakeside Golf Course, Beverly. Tee off will begin at 8:00 AM at a cost of \$240.00 / four man team. You must have at least two members in good standing with the Knights on each foursome team. To sign up for your team, contact Ethan Brooker at 740-525-2972.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA is the normal way we bring people to our Catholic faith through weekly learning sessions. It is our duty as Catholics to help in encouraging people to find faith and join our parishes. An active RCIA is a sign of an active parish. Below is a form you can fill out so that we might raise up some more people interested in the Catholic Faith and joining the church. Please return this form via the collection basket, by mail, or email for those individuals interested.

POSSIBLE RCIA CANDIDATE:

Name: _____

Phone number: _____