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## Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church



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Carrollton, OH 44615  
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330-627-4664

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed 10-3; Thurs 9:30-2:30; Fri 9:30-12:30

Father Jonas Shell, Pastor: [jshell@diosteub.org](mailto:jshell@diosteub.org)

OLM website: [www.olmcarrollton.org](http://www.olmcarrollton.org)

**"LOVE CHRIST...LIVE CHRIST"**

## St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church



Located: 8012 Bachelor Rd, NW  
Waynesburg, OH 44688  
Mail: 748 Roswell Rd SW  
PO Box 155  
Carrollton, OH 44615  
330-627-4664

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed 10-3; Thurs 9:30-2:30; Fri 9:30-12:30

### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

(Please note that Masses in italic print are at St. Mary's; a cross before the name indicates deceased.)

Saturday, Aug. 31	4:30 PM	OLM	+Gerald Killian by Bruce & Mary Ann Killian
Sunday, Sept. 1	8:30 AM	OLM	People of the Parish
<i>Sunday, Sept. 1</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>	SM	+John & Rosemary Kissel by Mike Kissel
Tuesday, Sept. 3	7:00 PM	OLM	Diocese of Steubenville
<i>Wednesday, Sept. 4</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>	SM	+Robert Shimek by Teresa Long
Thursday, Sept. 5	8:30 AM	OLM	+Jason DiPietro by Jim & Pam Travis
Friday, Sept. 6	8:30 AM	OLM	Josh & Maria Montagnini by Father Jonas
Saturday, Sept. 7	4:30 PM	OLM	+John Miday by Terry & Barb Brooks
Sunday, Sept. 8	8:30 AM	OLM	+Audrey Kapelewski by Janet Smith
<i>Sunday, Sept. 8</i>	<i>11:00 AM</i>	SM	People of the Parish

OLM Confessions: Tuesday 7:45-9:00 pm; Friday 3:00-4:00 pm; Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm or by appointment\*\*\*

\*\*\*St. Mary Confessions: Sunday before Mass by request or by appointment\*\*\*

### PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sun	1	
Mon	2	Office Closed
Tue	3	7:45 PM Confession-OLM Church
Wed	4	
Thur	5	7:00 PM Bible Study-OLM Conference Room
Fri	6	8:00 AM Rosary before Mass-OLM Church 9:15 AM Adoration-OLM Church 3:00 PM Confession-OLM Church 6:45 PM Benediction-OLM Church
Sat	7	10:00 AM Philosophy Book Club-OLM Conference Room 3:30 PM Confession-OLM Church
Sun	8	9:30 AM PSR Pancakes/Open House-OLM Hall 10:00 AM Going with Faith-OLM Conference Room 6:30 DTS Youth Group-SM Church/Hall

### Our Lady of Mercy Stewardship Week of August 25, 2024

Adult \$2,205.00 Loose \$147.82  
More Life \$50.00 PSR \$100.00 Library \$750.00  
Building Fund \$250.00 Candles \$78.50  
SVDP \$65.00  
Gas/Oil Royalties \$3,111.86

### St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Stewardship Week of August 25, 2024

Adult \$468.00 Loose \$318.00  
Assumption \$10.00

**OFFICE CLOSED** ~ The office will be closed on **Monday, September 2nd** in observance of Labor Day.

**PSR KICKOFF** ~ We will be kicking off our PSR Program this year with a Pancake Breakfast and Open House immediately after Mass on **Sunday, September 8th**. We are happy to be able to offer classes for grades PreK-12. Parents should plan to attend with their children to go over necessary information, sign papers, and meet the teachers. All parishioners are welcome to join us for breakfast. Our regular PSR classes will begin on **Sunday, September 15th, and will run from 10:00 am to 11:00 am**. If you have any questions, please call/text Chrissy Breedlove 330-312-8577.

**THANK YOU** ~ Thank you to all who made donations to our PSR Program. The kindness of our parishioners never ceases to amaze me. May God bless you for your generosity. *Chrissy Breedlove*

**DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY** ~ Our next meeting of the Dead Theologians Society will be Sunday, September 8, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Saint Mary's (Morges). All high school youth (grades 9-12) are welcome to join us to hang out with other young Catholics, learn about Saints Cosmas and Damian, and spend some time in prayer. If you have any questions, please contact Erika Shockey at (330) 312-6074. *Chrissy Breedlove*

**BIBLE STUDY** ~ The Thursday night Bible Study will resume on Thursday, September 5th. We are currently studying Matthew 17. All are welcome to join us.

**NOTE OF THANKS** ~ A wonderful group came with work gloves, tools, at trailer, a front-end loader - and big smiles (everyone!) on Saturday, August 24th to spruce up around the church hall and Father's house. Bushes trimmed, weeds removed, a lot was accomplished with laughter and fellowship. It was a great day! *Thank you to all who came and helped.*

**WORK PARTY** ~ A big thank you to all the people who came over to the hall and rectory last Saturday to clean up the place. There are lots of little things that quickly add up and big things that happen at the parish because people care so much about it. So, a big thank you to the ad hoc Saturday Grounds crew, especially Oliver for driving the tractor. And a big thanks to all of you who help in various, often hidden, ways. It is a great demonstration of your love for the church and your parish. *Father Jonas*

**GOOD NEWS** ~ Bishop Edward Lohse will be joining us on **Saturday, September 21st** for the celebration of the anniversary of the dedication of the church and our parish picnic and will be blessing the new artwork. Just another reason to save the date. More details will be forthcoming.

**ST. MARY'S SAVE THE DATE** ~ *The Hog Roast and Square dance at St. Mary's will take place on Saturday, September 28th. More details will be forthcoming.*

**ST. MARY'S HOG ROAST RAFFLE TICKETS** ~ *Please pick-up your Hog Roast Raffle tickets. They are located on a table in alphabetical order in the Narthex at both churches.*

**RAFFLE BASKETS** ~ *St. Mary's is seeking donations towards the raffle baskets for the Hog Roast. You may donate a completed basket, or any individual items towards a basket are welcome. Gift cards to area businesses are especially welcome. Past themes have included baby items, movie night, beach fun, golf, wine, auto care etc. You are welcome to "regift" like new items from your home. There will be a donation box at the back of both parishes, or give your items to Dustin/Erika Shockey or Steven/Katherine Friedman. Thank you!*

**DPSC FROM FR. JONAS** ~ If you have never given to the DPSC, please consider giving this year, even if it is a small amount. The pledge cards are available on the bulletin board or you can also contribute to the campaign online at [give.diosteub.org](http://give.diosteub.org). Even though both parishes usually exceed the goal, there is not a high participation in giving. Last year OLM had a 39% participation rate and is currently at 38% for this year. St. Mary's had a 51% participation rate and is currently at 42%. It would be great to see those numbers rise into the 90% range to show our support for the Diocese.

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**SUNDAY HOMILIES** ~ Don't forget that if you would like to listen to or send others the homilies from **Sunday Mass**, they can be accessed on [soundcloud.com](https://www.soundcloud.com). On the website, search **FoJo**, Fr. Jonas' user name. Look for the picture of Jesus giving communion at the Last Supper to verify you are at the right place. You can also go to our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/olmcarrollton/](https://www.facebook.com/olmcarrollton/) or the website at [olmcarrollton.org](http://olmcarrollton.org) to hear his homilies.

**OIL MONEY** ~ You will see in our bulletin that we are getting oil and gas money. We have been since July of 2023. These are royalties from a cemetery property that we have care of in Sherrodsville. The current arrangement is that we receive 70% of the Royalties. This money has primarily been used for the building fund. The amount you see in this week's bulletin went to the general fund. At some point, we should also be getting a 50/50 split for the 19 acres on which the parish currently resides, both for sign on and continuing royalties. That agreement was reached under Bishop Bradley. It is less, because, legally, the property is not deeded to our benefit, and as Apostolic Administrator (meaning not technically our Bishop), he could not change the deed to reflect that the land is held in benefit for our parish. The best he could come up with is a 50/50 split. That deal is still being worked out with the oil company by a lawyer for the diocese who takes care of all the oil and gas leases. The total we've received for the cemetery property since July of 2023 is \$21,763.70. \$15,337.01 has been placed in the building fund, \$6,426.69 in the general fund. *Father Jonas*

**JULY FUND REPORTS** ~ OLM's General Account income was \$14,796.48 and expenses paid were \$14,132.27 with an ending balance of \$2,819.34. *St. Mary's General Account income was \$9,273.00 and expenses paid were \$4,131.83 with an ending balance of \$33,945.25.*

**CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL GROUP** ~ Carrollton and the surrounding area has a Catholic homeschool group. If you are homeschooling or interested in homeschooling in the future, you may want to join us! Contact **Jessica Dougherty** for more information at **740-381-8581**.

**ST. VINCET DEPAUL COLLETION** ~ The St. Vincent DePaul collection is next weekend **September 7th & 8th**.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** ~ If you are interested in learning about NFP there are a few opportunities. One of them is **contacting Sairey Williams at 330-271-9730**. She teaches both the **Creighton Model Fertility System** and the **Marquette Method of Natural Family Planning**. The **McNamaras** will be teaching the **Couple to Couple League** method of NFP on **September 21, October 12 and November 9, 2024**. These class dates are cumulative and registration is required at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). The sessions will be held at **Franciscan University** from **4:45 pm to 8:00 pm**.

#### AROUND AND ABOUT

**OUTDOOR PROCESSIONAL ROSARY** ~ The Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus invite everyone to join them in an **outdoor processional rosary** on the eve of the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **September 7th at 7:45 pm at Our Lady of the Sacred heart Oratory at 700 Lovers Lane Steubenville, Ohio**.

**WOMEN'S INFERTILITY SMALL GROUP** ~ Please see the bulletin board for more information on *Arise*, which is a small group for women experiencing infertility. *Arise* will meet from **9:00 am to 11:00 am on 1st and 3rd Saturdays beginning September 7th in the Calovini Room (library) located at Holy Family Church in Malara Hall (2655 Alexander Street, Steubenville, OH)**. Please see the bulletin board for more details.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT** ~ Aim Women's Center is have a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat from **Friday, September 20th through Sunday, September 22nd in Toronto, OH**. Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Please see the bulletin board for more details.

**ST. MARY RECYCLE MISSION PICK-UP** ~ St. Mary's Recycle Mission recycles used Religious items that are no longer needed. They will be at OLM in **September** for a pick-up. If you would like more information on what items they accept please see the bulletin board. Thank you!

**STEUBENVILLE EUCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS:**  
WHAT: The 8th Annual Diocese of Steubenville Eucharistic Rosary Congress.  
WHEN: **October 5-11, 2024**.  
WHERE: **Holy Rosary in Steubenville, St. Joseph in Ironton, St. Mary of the Assumption in Marietta**  
Please see the bulletin board for more details.

ITEMS TO BE PLACED IN THE COMING WEEK'S BULLETIN NEED TO BE GIVEN TO THE OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY NOON.

**OLM GREETERS**~ The Haas Family this week and the Burgett Family next week.

**Happy Birthday OLM** ~ Michael Maiorca 9/1; Ty Pridemore 9/1; Samuel Borland 9/2; Cora Wolfe 9/6; Byron Fairclough 9/7

**Happy Birthday SM** ~ Daniel Pikna 9/2; Leo Friedmann 9/5; Rose Oprean 9/6; Christine Pikna 9/6; Shelbia Otte 9/7

**Happy Anniversary OLM** ~ to all those celebrating in September.

**Happy Anniversary SM** ~ to all those celebrating in September.

If you or any family member is ill or hospitalized or we have removed a name that should not have been, please inform the parish office.

#### St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Prayer Needs

*Brenda Sandefur, Harold Wolbert, Elizabeth Wolford, Shelbia Otte, Anthony Tozzi, Dan Grossi Family*

#### Our Lady of Mercy Prayer Needs

Vicky Oboy, Rose Rombough, Anna Schiavone, Bob Meyer, Jack Sowko, Zach Oboy, Shirley Dale, Kristine Stenger, Matthew Kwisnek, Denise Dale Nedrow, Scott Kazer, Chris Rombough, Dave McKarns, Ellen Oboy, Ida Carver, J. C. Birong



**THE DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE**  
OFFICE OF THE APOSTOLIC ADMINISTRATOR

August 29, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

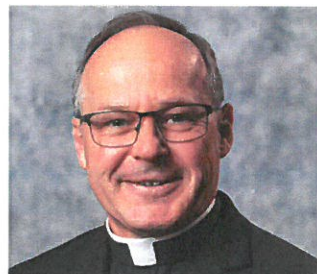
As I write to you today, the first thing that I want to do is apologize that it has taken me so long to do so. Two months ago, the Holy Father appointed me as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Steubenville while remaining the Bishop of Kalamazoo. I am humbled and honored to serve you.

By way of introduction, I am originally from McKean, Pennsylvania, a small community in the rural area just south of Erie. I was ordained for the Diocese of Erie in 1989 and spent the next 34 years as a priest of that diocese before becoming the fifth Bishop of Kalamazoo on July 25, 2023. During those years I had many assignments, including as a high school teacher and campus minister, vocation director, pastor, vice-chancellor and eventually chancellor. From 2010 to 2015, I served at the Congregation for the Clergy in Rome and afterwards I became Vicar General for the Diocese of Erie.

I am profoundly grateful to Bishop Bradley for guiding the diocesan process of discernment for the nine months he was here. That phase of the process largely focused on data-driven information and was critical and essential for the discernment. Now, this last phase expands the discussion to include important pastoral and human considerations as well as the situations of parishes, schools, various ministries and apostolates, etc. This last phase is critical before any final decision can be made, since a complete understanding of a diocese involves more than a collection of its data. Up to this point, I have been working with the College of Consultors (a sub-group of the Presbyteral Council) and am now expanding the conversation to engage all the priests, the members of the diocesan finance council, and others. I will endeavor to make sure that the information I share with you is both accurate and objective.

Given the six-hour drive between Kalamazoo and Steubenville, I regret that I cannot be as present to you as I would like. Still, I will strive my best to serve you well and to walk with you through this discernment. I am deeply grateful for the hardworking clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Diocese of Steubenville. Trusting in prayer that the Lord will lead us to where we ought to be, we continue to promote the mission of the Church, to celebrate the sacraments, and to live our Catholic faith.

Please know that each of you are in my daily prayers. May the Lord, the Good Shepherd, nurture us and guide us as we strive to be faithful to His calling.



Sincerely in Christ,

*+ Edward M. Lohse*

The Most Reverend Edward M. Lohse, JCD  
Apostolic Administrator  
of the Diocese of Steubenville

