



“I am the living bread that came down from heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever.”

## OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday  
9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
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 Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church-Mercedes, Texas

**THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**  
**June 7, 2026**

### BACKGROUND OF THE LITURGY

**GENERAL THEME:**

The celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ reminds us of the institution of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday. This solemnity is offered to us as a bright alternative to the somber entrance into the Lord's Passion. We can never forget, however, the circumstances under which this sacrament was first given to us.

St. John's Gospel, at chapter 6, reminds us of the controversy which Jesus stirred up over eating His flesh and drinking His blood. Jesus does not call us to cannibalism. Instead, He lifts us up into the very life of God.

**FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a**

Moses, at the end of his life, sums up the various wonders which the people encountered, first in their Exodus from slavery, and then in their wanderings in the desert. God gave them food when they could not produce it themselves.

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17**

St. Paul stresses for the Christians of Corinth the act of union which occurs when they receive the Body and Blood of Christ. They are united with one another, and they are part of the Body of Christ.

**GOSPEL READING: John 6:51-58**

Religious professionals are uneasy and hostile toward Jesus. To them, eating and drinking his body sounded deluded. We do not hear Peter's profession of faith, which follows this passage. We stand with him who said, "Lord, to whom can we go?"

### **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday	5:00 PM	English
Sunday	7:00 AM	Spanish
	9:00 AM	English
	11:00 AM	English
	1:00 PM	Spanish

### **DAILY MASS**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and 1st Friday's of the Month 7:00 AM

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Wednesday beginning at 4:30 PM

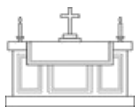
### **NEW CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE!**

Every other Wednesday at 4:45 PM to 6:00 PM

Or by Appointment

**Vespers & Benediction** 6:00 to 6:30 PM

**Mass** at 6:30 PM



# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, June 6  
5:00 pm (E)

In thanksgiving for St. Peter  
For the birthday of Xavier Jose E. Adame  
For the birthday of Joe Alex Adame  
For the birthday of Ana Cano  
†Consuelo Barroso  
†Rudy Elizondo  
†Eustacio Flores  
†Mike Garza  
†Robert J. Garza  
†Miguel A. Gomez  
†Diego & †Simona Guerrero  
†Vangie L. Martinez  
†Eugene Saenz  
†Roberto & †Ninfa Salinas  
†Sofia Vasquez  
†Baby Lucia Vasquez  
†Manuela Villa Gonzales

Sunday, June 7  
7:00 am (S)

In thanksgiving for the Divine Providence  
Health of Aracelia Torres  
†Raymundo Garcia & †Hilda Cavazos  
†Adalberto Marquez  
†Tomas Urbina

9:00 am (E)

In thanksgiving for St. Joseph  
For the health of Baby Irene Moreno  
For the health of Teresa Nañez  
†Antonio Jr. & †Juanita Anzaldúa  
†Mary Elizabeth de la Rosa  
†Marlen Gutierrez  
†Elva Martinez  
†Ben & †Rose Soto  
†Maria de Jesus "Mary" Torres  
†Mauro Vasquez Jr.

11:00 am (E)

†Agapito & †Felipa Gonzales  
†Delia Hinojosa  
†Guadalupe & †Sara Longoria  
†Arturo N. Loya  
†Armando B. & †Graciela Martinez  
†Carmen Alicia Martinez  
†Arturo B. Martinez Jr.  
†Mariano & †Ana Ruiz  
†Susie Ruiz

1:00 pm (S):

Pro Populo  
For the 24th Anniversary of Fr. Olivier's Priestly Ordination

Monday, June 8  
7:00 am

**Communion Service**  
For the 24th Anniversary of Fr. Olivier's Priestly Ordination

Tuesday, June 9  
7:00 am

†Timothy James Alvarez  
†Maria de Jesus Perez Becerra  
†Manuela Villa Gonzales

Wednesday, June 10  
6:30 pm

†Robert J. Garza  
†Juanita Reyes

Thursday, June 11  
7:00 am

†Ruben de la Rosa

Friday, June 12  
No Mass

## DAILY MASS READINGS

**Monday, June 8, 2026: Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr**

1 Kings 17:1-6      Psalm 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8      Matthew 5:1-12

**Tuesday, June 9, 2026:**

1 Kings 17:7-16      Psalm 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8      Matthew 5:13-16

**Wednesday, June 10, 2026:**

1 Kings 18:20-39      Psalm 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11      Matthew 5:17-19

**Thursday, June 11, 2026: Memorial of Saint Barnabas, Apostle**

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3      Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6      Matthew 5:20-26

**Friday, June 12, 2026: Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Deuteronomy 7:6-11      Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10  
1 John 4:7-16      Matthew 11:25-30

**Saturday, June 13, 2026:**

1 Kings 19:19-21      Psalm 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10      Matthew 5:33-37

**Sunday, June 14, 2026: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

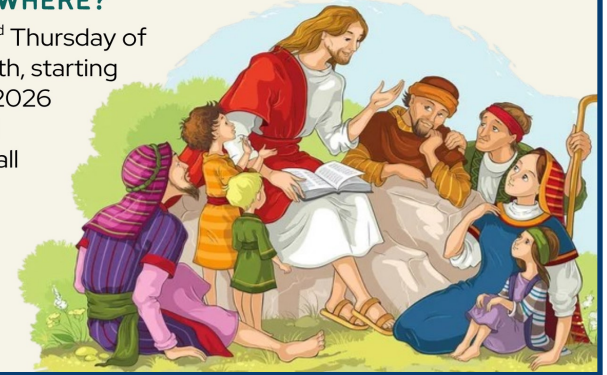
## OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH

# ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Join Father and Deacon in these ongoing monthly sessions to strengthen your spiritual life and deepen your relationship with Christ and His beloved bride, the Church!

### WHEN? WHERE?

- Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, starting June 11, 2026
- 6:30 PM
- Parish Hall



## WHO IS INVITED?

EVERYONE!  
All Parishioners, the beloved children of OLM are welcome!

## PROTECTING GOD'S PEOPLE

As God's people, we are called to celebrate, promote, and when necessary to defend the life and dignity of every person. We must treat everyone with respect, and do what we can to protect others from harm.

Suspected misconduct with minors by lay church personnel should be reported to the pastor of the parish, the principal of the school, or the head of the Catholic institution involved. Suspected misconduct with minors by a priest, deacon, or religious should be reported directly to the Bishop or Vicar General (P. O. Box 2279, Brownsville, TX 78522-2279; 956-542-2501). A form for a Confidential Notice of Concern, may be used, and obtained on request from the local pastor, school principal, institution head, or Diocese, or it may be downloaded from the Brownsville Diocese website ([www.cdob.org](http://www.cdob.org))

Please be aware that it is a state law that anyone who suspects abuse or neglect of a minor must report it to local law enforcement officials or to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at 1-800-252-5400.

Our faith assures us that we will not be overcome by evil but will overcome evil with good (cf. Rm 12:21).

## ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS

June 6-7, 2026



For the Marriage of  
*Erik Villagomez &  
Monica Resendez*