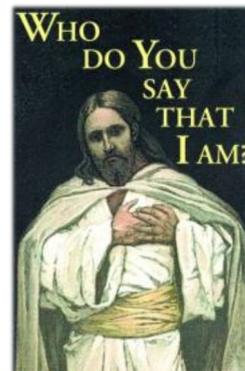


Offertory: June 11, 2017 OLM \$425, OLV \$637, COS \$341, Total \$1,403
 June 12, 2016 OLM \$612, OLV \$789, COS \$416, Total \$1,817 (incl. online giving)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug. 26, OLM 4:00 PM For Bernice Ireton, requested by her daughter, Kathy Porter
 Sunday, Aug. 27, OLM 8:30 AM For Lauren Joanne Airoidi, requested by David Airoidi
 Sunday, Aug. 27, OLV 10:30 AM For George E. Crombie, requested by Eleanor C. Crombie
 Sunday, Aug. 27, COS 12:30 PM For a Special Intention, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
 Saturday, Sept. 2, OLM 4:00 PM For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
 Sunday, Sept. 3, OLM 8:30 AM For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
 Sunday, Sept. 3, OLV 10:30 AM For a Special Intention, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
 Sunday, Sept. 3, COS 12:30 PM For Matteo Aquilino, requested by Scotty Aquilino



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sept. 1: First Friday Mass, 5:30 PM, St. Edmund's, Saxtons River
 Sept. 15: Adoration, 3 PM, OLV
 Sept. 20: Cursillo Ultreya, 7 PM, at the Anderbergs
 Sept. 21: Finance Council Meeting, 6:30 PM, OLV

REGISTRATION is open for the 2017-2018 year of Religious Education at Our Lady of the Valley for grades K- 8. Classes start September 17, 2017 and will meet two times each month until May. Forms are available at the church, or please call the Rectory at 802-387-5861 or email us at olmercy@myfairpoint.net.

Weekly Intention:

For the grace this week to confess Jesus as our Savior to those we meet.



Fortune cookie "wisdom":

So Live that you wouldn't be ashamed to sell the family parrot to the town gossip.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Help discover the keys to your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Oct 21-22, 2017 in Con-toocook, NH and Mar 16-18, 2018 in Isle La Motte, VT. For more information, call Gary & Lynn Root at 802-456-8114 or visit us at <https://wwmevt.org>.

YouthLead Weekend, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2017: Youth-Lead is a wonderful opportunity for your teens to grow in Christian leadership skills. Please consider choosing 2-4 youth who will be formed as Christian leaders for today's Church. This weekend will take place on Saranac Lake in the beautiful Adirondack Mountains of New York. Registration is available through the Diocese of Ogdensburg. In the meantime, please see the brochure or go to www.vermontcatholic.org/youthlead.

**Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer announces:
 The Pilgrimage of a Life Time!**

Come join us on our annual Turkey Trotters trip to Mary's House, in Ephesus, Turkey



Date: October 4, 2017- October 11, 2017

Visit the Blessed Mothers' last home on earth in a way most people only dream of!

~Things to look forward to:

Daily Mass in the original house of the Blessed Mother each day.

A guided tour through the ancient city of Ephesus, visits to St. John's Basilica, the Cave of the Seven Sleepers, St. Polycarp Cathedral in Izmir, The village of Sirince, the Church of St. Mary also known as the Double Church (the first church named in honor of the Blessed Mother which is where the Council of Ephesus was held in 431AD), a swim in the Aegean Sea, Bazaars, the Ephesus Museum.

Cost: Approximately \$2,000.00 per person, includes round trip airfare from JFK, hotel, all meals, entrance fees, transportation, guides; basically everything except tips and donations for Mary's House.

For more information please call Mary Fraser Tarinelli at 802-896-6573. We only take 10 or 12 people, so if you would like to join us please call as soon as possible.

From Fr. Fred: In France in the 1600's St. John Eudes founded two religious congregations, one dedicated to improving priestly formation, and one encouraging morally endangered women to lead Christian lives. This passage from his writings could just as easily speak to the heart of any woman today who is searching for true love.

From a treatise on the admirable Heart of Jesus by Saint John Eudes, priest

The source of salvation and true life

I ask you to consider that our Lord Jesus Christ is your true head and that you are a member of his body. He belongs to you as the head belongs to the body. All that is his is yours: breath, heart, body, soul and all his faculties. All of these you must use as if they belonged to you, so that in serving him you may give him praise, love and glory. You belong to him as a member belongs to the head. This is why he earnestly desires you to serve and glorify the Father by using all your faculties as if they were his.

He belongs to you, but more than that, he longs to be in you, living and ruling in you, as the head lives and rules in the body. He desires that whatever is in him may live and rule in you: his breath in your breath, his heart in your heart, all the faculties of his soul in the faculties of your soul, so that these words may be fulfilled in you: *Glorify God and bear him your body, that the life of Jesus may be made manifest in you.*

You belong to the Son of God, but more than that, you ought to be in him as the members are in the head. All that is in you

must be incorporated into him. You must receive life from him and be ruled by him. There will be no true life for you except in him, for he is the one source of true life. Apart from him you will find only death and destruction. Let him be the only source of your movements, of the actions and the strength of your life. He must be both the source and the purpose of your life, so that you may fulfill these words: *None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master. While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as his servants. Both in life and death we are the Lord's. That is why Christ died and came to life again, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.*

Finally, you are one with Jesus as the body is one with the head. You must, then, have one breath with him, one soul, one life, one will, one mind, one heart. And he must be your breath, heart, love, life, your all. These great gifts in the follower of Christ originate from baptism. They are increased and strengthened through confirmation and by making good use of other graces that are given by God. Through the holy eucharist they are brought to perfection.

Just for Fun:

John: First I got TONSILLITIS, followed by APPENDICTIS, and PNEUMONIA. After that I got ERYSIPELAS with HEMACHROMATOSIS. Following that I got POLIOMYELITIS and finally ended up with NEURITIS. Then they gave me HYPODERMICS and INOCULATIONS.

Ed: Wow! I've never heard of anyone having such a hard time!

John: That's for sure! I thought I'd never make it through that spelling test.



Quote of the week:

"Sometimes we are saddened by the weight of our sins. Don't be discouraged! Christ has come to lift this burden and give us peace." Pope Francis