



Our Lady of Sorrows

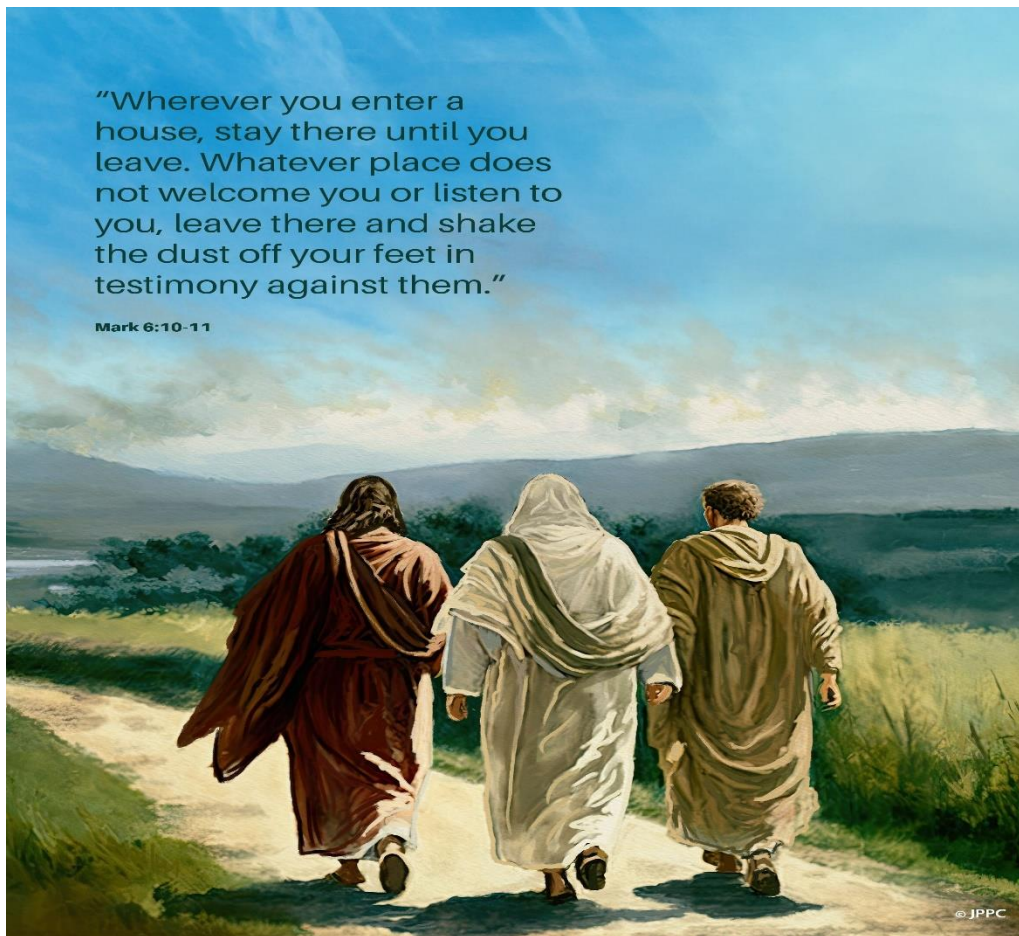
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"Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them."

Mark 6:10-11



MASSSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm; Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 am
Monday-Friday 7:00 am and 12:00 pm; Saturday 8:30 am and 12:00 pm

Penance: Confessions Saturday 12:45 pm – 2:00 pm or by appointment

Baptism: Contact Parish Office after the birth of your child to begin Baptismal preparation program

Ministry of the Sick: Call Parish Office for anointing of seriously or chronically ill for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and to arrange Communion calls

Marriages: Arrange at least one year in advance with a parish priest

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July 14, 2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Andrew

There are some things Jesus did that are difficult to understand. One of them is calling the apostles. I'm not saying I can't understand Him calling the apostles, but I wonder if He really didn't have anyone else better to call! Men more capable, virtuous, efficient, and well-learned may have helped His work be done significantly better. But as you and I know, that's not what He wanted. He wanted those who could open their hearts and be vulnerable in their weaknesses.

Jesus is perfect. Fully God and fully Man, He never once lost a battle against evil. He knew the Father, and He IS the perfect image of the Father. He lived with the beatific vision, and although He chose the hands of Mary and Joseph to be raised and taught in His humanity, no one knew how to serve God better than He did. He is God! Who would know how to lead others to God rather than God Himself, who also has humanity?

But, when we think about it, it brings us back to my question. Why did He decide to share His ministries with other men when He could have done far more work had He done them all by Himself? He wouldn't need to spend time sitting with them and teaching them. He wouldn't need to use His energy directing, correcting, and accompanying them, nor expend energy dealing with the dramas caused by apostles arguing. Why?

I think today's Gospel gives us a little hint as to why. Just like Jesus sent the apostles two by two, there is something beautiful and crucial about the "togetherness" when continuing the ministries of Christ as His disciples. This togetherness is not just a practical arrangement, but a deep connection that makes us feel part of a larger purpose. There is a saying, "If you want to go fast, go alone, but if you want to go far, go together." Yes, I may be able to walk fast without matching the pace of the other walking next to me. However, to walk hundreds of miles, I will need another person to walk with, who would save me from hunger and dehydration by sharing his bread and water. Also, he will save me from getting lost because I am so terrible with directions.

The path of discipleship and continuing the work of Christ as His instruments is a long and arduous journey. The road won't be as flat as we wish, and the weather may not be too fair. The worst thing is that there is nothing we can do about the snow and rain that will make our journey far more laborious. However, one thing we can have is the presence of our brothers and sisters, with whom we became family through Christ. Just like the apostles, we are called to rely fully on God's help, walk by faith, and depend upon our brothers and sisters more than the wealth we have. This reliance on one another makes us feel supported and cared for, even in the most challenging times.

Those with whom we are called to walk together are worth so much more than extra food, sack, money, and the second tunic. Jesus' calling of the twelve to become His first companions and priests teaches us one priceless lesson: the Life of serving Him and His people as His disciples is not a matter of speed and efficiency but of right direction and camaraderie.

Blessings,



**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING
OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

June 30	Week 1	YTD
Collection	\$10,320	\$10,320
Budgeted	\$12,164	\$12,164
	Peter's Pence	\$1,413
	Repairs	\$1,155
July 7	Week 2	YTD
Collection	\$12,712	\$23,062
Budgeted	\$12,164	\$24,328

Thank you for your generosity!

We made our Annual Appeal Goal!

Thank you to all who contributed to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. It came down to the final days, but a few generous parishioners pushed us over the goal line. Our goal was to collect \$75,607 by June 30th, and because we exceeded it, we earned a 2% reduction from 18% to 16% in the rate of the annual assessment we owe to the Archdiocese of Newark.

While 2% may not seem like a lot, to our parish it's worth about \$18,000. In addition, we will receive back as a rebate 50% of every dollar we go over our goal. Assuming all pledges are paid off by December 31, we will receive a rebate of about \$7,700. Once again, to all who partook in the Annual Appeal, we thank you on behalf of all the people in the Archdiocese of Newark who are assisted in one way or another by means of the Annual Appeal.



Please Consider OLS

Beginning the estate planning process? We hope that you will consider a bequest to Our Lady of Sorrows. Legacy gifts enable OLS to continue to thrive and minister to our parishioners.

Save the Date: Blood Drive

On Tuesday, July 30th from 4:00-7:30pm we will host a blood drive in St. Joseph's Hall. All types are needed, especially during the summer months when supplies run low.



Please consider donating!

Remember To Go To Mass!

As you travel and find rest for yourself, don't forget your Sunday Mass obligation. Go to masstimes.org to find a church near your vacation spot.

Remember, God never takes a vacation from us. Let's not take one from Him!



Meet Our Staff

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have Eucharistic Adoration every Monday and Friday, from 12:30pm – 3:00pm, concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Spend some quiet time in prayer before Our Lord in the exposed Eucharist. Honestly, can you think of any better way to use a few minutes of your day than with Our Lord in the peaceful quiet of our beautiful (and air-conditioned) church?



Welcome Back to Fr. Ultan Naughton

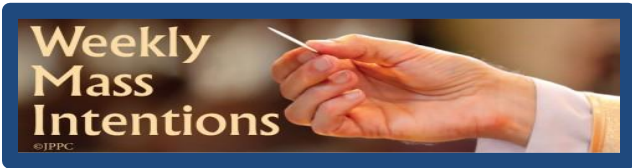
We are happy to welcome back Fr. Ultan Naughton, an Irish priest of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (SSCC), who will be visiting us for his summer holiday, from July 19-August 13. Fr. Ultan also stayed a month with us last summer and his stay with us was a great joy, especially for those who live in the Rectory.



Fr. Ultan was born in Roscommon, Ireland and educated by the Mercy Sisters, the Irish Christian Brothers, and at University by the Jesuits. His parents, while elderly, are both still alive. He has 2 sisters, a twin brother, and 2 nieces and 2 nephews.

Fr. Ultan's religious vocation was inspired by the life and death of St. Damien, the Leper priest of Molokai (one of the Hawaiian islands). He joined the same religious congregation as St. Damien, the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, an international missionary Congregation of sisters, brothers and priests who form one religious family. Fr. Ultan has lived or worked in communities in the Philippines, Indonesia, Spain, United Kingdom and USA. Presently he is chaplain at Dublin City University in Ireland. Please extend to Fr. Ultan a very warm welcome!

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VIGIL, SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2024

5:30 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024

8:00 AM The Brutofsky Family
10:00 AM All Rosarians Living & Deceased
11:30 AM Douglas O'Neill

MONDAY, JULY 15, 2024

7:00 AM Edward Silliere
12:00 PM Marie Hermite Taris

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024

7:00 AM John M. Plesnik – 34th Anniversary
12:00 PM Shirlee Needles

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2024

7:00 AM Matthew Pascual –
Special Intention
12:00 PM Matthiew and Anastasie Etienne

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024

7:00 AM Dolores Emery
12:00 PM All Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2024

7:00 AM Mary Ann Petri
12:00 PM Nancy Sullivan – 5th Anniversary

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2024

8:30 AM Filomena and Ralph Ferrace
12:00 PM James A. Lynch

VIGIL, SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2024

5:30 PM Mae Crimmins

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024

8:00 AM John M. Plesnik
10:00 AM People of the Parish
11:30 AM Samuel Giuliano – 12th Anniversary

Mass Requests

We now have an easier way for you to request Masses. Either go here: olschurch.com/request-a-mass/ Or scan the QR code.



Welcomed Home by God

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: Magalye Mompoin and Dorothea Baiocchi. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen

In Memoriam

It is a loving gesture to donate the weekly Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one for a special intention. If you would like to do so, please contact the parish office for more information.

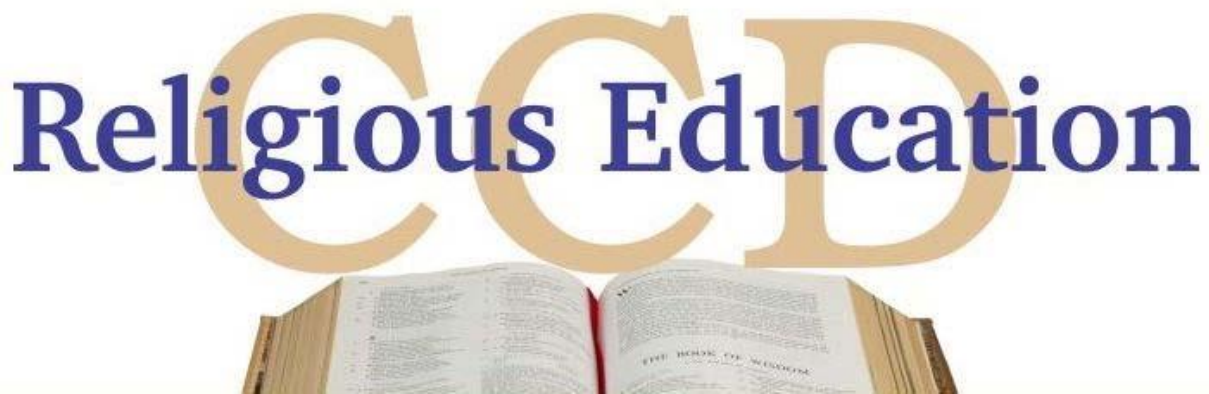


REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following in your prayers: Bill Aber, Rita Arena, Patricia Bee, Roy Bell, Daniel Callaghan, Julia Callaghan, Robert Charles, Bekim Colaku, John Colaku, Alice Cosack, Mark F. Davonski, Alan Droppa, Michael Elliot, Patricia Evanik, George Richmond Files Jr., Norma Gonzalez, Judith Gordy, Beth Hebron, Deborah Hebron, Mimi Hermann, Norma Hermann, Agnes Marshall, Elizabeth Mary, Neville Moore, Megan More, Kathleen Mullan, Kate Mullin, Melissa O'Brien, Kate Powis, Ludgarda Rosa, Marie Somers, Elizabeth Stuart, Catherine Sullivan, Donna T., Mary Jane Tannen, Stephanie Windsor



Religious Education



Register before July 15th for Early Bird Pricing!

While parents are the primary educators in matters of the faith, you don't have to do it all alone. Let your parish help you!

The OLS CCD program is here to help your child develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. But before we can assist your family, we need to know who you are! If your child will not be attending a Catholic school this fall, please be sure to visit the parish website and click on the "Religious Education" tab to register him or her for CCD. While most children begin formal religious education instruction in first grade, it is NEVER too late to begin to learn about the Lord. Older first-time CCD students are always welcome and financial assistance is available to all those in need of extra support.

CCD begins the week of September 22, 2024. There are 25 classes in the catechetical year.

Monday in-person, catechist-led classes are available for grades K-8 from 3:55 - 5:15pm

Tuesday in-person, catechist-led classes are available for grades 1-8 from 3:55 - 5:15pm

OLS also offers a parent-led homeschooling option for all grades

Registration dates and fees are as follows:

- *Before July 15th, 2024: 1 Child - \$150 2 Children - \$240 3+ Children - \$325*
- *After July 15th, 2024: 1 Child - \$180 2 Children - \$270 3+ Children - \$355*

Families who would like to request financial assistance or be placed on a payment plan should contact Colleen McDonald at sorrowschurch@gmail.com. All requests are kept confidential.

Call our main office at (973) 763-5454, visit our website www.olschurch.com, or email Jen Noll at jennollols@gmail.com for more information about how to take the next important step in forming your child's faith.



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Take advantage of this great opportunity to grow in your faith anytime, anywhere!

Want to learn more about the Catholic faith but find it hard to get to a scheduled class? Looking for an audio book to listen to for that next trip? Want a new bible study for your small group? Need some wholesome movies to watch that will inspire you? Want resources to help reinforce the faith for your children at home?

Our parish has purchased a **Formed.org** subscription to give parishioners access to a wealth of content about Catholic teaching, spirituality, and saints.

If you have not already signed up for your free membership, follow these simple steps:

1. Go to formed.org/signup
2. When prompted, sign up as a parishioner
3. Select your parish (using our ZIP Code – 07079 – is easiest)
4. Register with your name and email
5. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED at no cost at all.

