



Our Lady of Sorrows

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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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January 22, 2023
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Message from Fr. Brian

Big game this Saturday evening! The Giants vs. the Eagles in the playoffs. I suspect that among those of us who are football fans, most will be rooting for the Giants, but I also know that we have a good number of diehard Eagles fans in our parish. No matter who you're rooting for, we know that football is a team sport, and that teamwork is so important to success. Both teams are good, but we know that if the members of the team aren't united, then the whole team will suffer.

And that's the message of St. Paul in our 2nd reading this weekend. The Church is like a team. Paul says, "*I urge you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree in what you say, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and in the same purpose.*"

If the individual players on the Giants or the Eagles were not of the same mind and the same purpose with their teams, then obviously their teams won't advance to the NFC Championship game. A team needs unity of mind and purpose. So too does the Church.

Imagine yourself being on a football team (or baseball team or soccer team or any other type of team) and everyone else on the team is counting on you to do your job well, to play at your highest level for the sake of the whole team, to have the same mind and purpose as the other players on the team. If you knew the rest of the team was counting on you, and if you knew that your contribution to the team is critical, then you'd try your hardest and work your hardest to help the team reach its glory.

If we can imagine ourselves in that type of situation, then we should also be able to see ourselves as being indispensable members of another team, that is, the Church. We should be able to see that when we don't put in an honest effort at being an essential member of the Church, when we aren't united with the Church and of one mind and purpose with the Church, then all the members of the Church suffer from that and the Church herself suffers.

All too often, we think to ourselves: "Let somebody else do it. The job, the mission can be accomplished without me. I'll just play my small role by going to Sunday Mass. I'm too weak, too poor, too busy, too old, too young, too whatever." That's selling ourselves short and that's not good for the team. We're better than that and when we join together in mind and purpose, wonderful things happen. Just look at the work and ministry of our Food Pantry, our St. Vincent de Paul Society, our parish school, our CCD office, our Knights of Columbus council, our Rosary Society, and the list goes on and on.

I realize that so many of you already give so much of your time, treasure and talent to the Church and to her mission. God's sees your contribution and all of us are grateful for it. I'm not making a general call to encourage you to join in some parish group or ministry (though I would love for that to happen!).

Rather, I want to encourage you to see yourselves as valued members of this great mystery that we call the Church. I want you to see yourselves as strong, even in your weakness; as rich, even in your poverty; as powerful, even in your suffering.

And when you see yourselves that way, as indispensable members of the Church, I'm hoping you'll pray to God asking Him to help you to know how to bring forth the treasury of who you are for the benefit of the entire Body of Christ and demonstrate to the rest of us that you are an invaluable member of the real Super Bowl team, the Church. Stay tuned to future issues of the bulletin to see how you might do that at OLS!

Blessings,



**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING
OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

January 15th	Week 29	Y. To Date
Collection	\$11,105	\$340,484
Budgeted	\$11,788	\$341,850

Food Pantry \$450
Candles \$272

Thank you!

Please Remember OLS

Don't have a will? You are not alone. Now is a great time to start planning and please consider including a bequest to OLS in your estate plans. Bequest funds are vital to ensuring the Parish continues to thrive and minister to our parishioners.


Rosary Society Meeting

The OLS Rosary Society has begun meeting once again! Please join us to pray the rosary together, and to grow in our faith through our Blessed Mother Mary. Our next gathering is Tuesday, January 24th at 7:00pm in the lower chapel, where we will pray the rosary. A brief meeting, refreshments, and fellowship will follow. All are welcome! Please contact Kathy Shelffo with any questions.

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OPEN HOUSE
January 29, 2023
11am - 1:30pm

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Stewardship Reflections

"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him."

MATTHEW 4:22

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. In gratitude to God, we should give our first and best of everything to Him: our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday and Friday, from 12:30pm - 3:00pm, concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which at this time we're offering in particular for peace in Ukraine. Please consider spending 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 Monday and Friday afternoons than with Our Lord in the peaceful quiet of our beautiful church?

Meet Our Staff

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Parish Bulletin

A reminder that if you are ever away, you can always read our weekly parish Bulletin on our parish website at: www.olschurch.com. Simply click the link for "Bulletin."

Congratulations to our first 2023 Calendar Raffle Winner!

Congratulations to Marlene Fetterly on winning our 1st of 12 monthly drawings in our calendar raffle. Marlene won \$1,500! Marlene's ticket went right back in the raffle drum for subsequent monthly drawings. It's certainly not too late to purchase a ticket, which will give you a chance to win one or more of the next 11 drawings. You can download the form from our eblast or go onto our website olschurch.com and purchase directly. We also have copies of the form in the church vestibule. You can drop the raffle form with a \$120 check into the Sunday collection. Our next drawing is February 15th. Good luck to everyone!

Electronic Parish Giving

Please consider making your offerings to our parish through our "Electronic Funds Transfer". This allows parishioners to make weekly/monthly donations to the parish that will be taken directly from your bank account or credit card account once a month. Electronic Parish Giving is easy and convenient with no additional cost to you as you support your parish. It can be accessed through our parish web site (www.olschurch.com). You may still receive envelopes in the mail and if you wish you could turn them into the collection on Sunday and simply write "Parish Giving" on them. Please consider enrolling today as a way to enhance your personal stewardship to our parish. **If you begin to use Electronic Giving and do not wish to receive envelopes (which will save the parish money) please contact the parish office.**

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VIGIL, SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023

5:30 PM Mary Ellen Rustum

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Dawn Mattheiss

11:30 AM Toni Goldstein

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023

7:00 AM Protection of Unborn Children

12:00 PM Protection of Unborn Children

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023

7:00 AM Rev. Frederick Miller

12:00 PM James McDonnell

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023

7:00 AM Regina Pacis Knight of Columbus

12:00 PM Kevin Galasso

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023

7:00 AM Yolanda Pozo

12:00 PM Kit Carson - 8th Anniversary

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023

7:00 AM David Klugel

12:00 PM Edward Henry

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023

8:30 AM Marquerite Celeste Keller

12:00 PM Edward K Madison, M.D.

VIGIL MASS SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022

5:30 PM Deacon John Inguaggiato

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Sr. Mary Lou Bauman

11:30 AM Manuel Fernandes

IN MEMORIAM

It is a loving gesture to donate the weekly Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.

This week's Sanctuary Candle in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **James Handy**. Requested by Alma Handy.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Donations to support our wonderful Music Ministry are gratefully accepted. Donations are applied toward the purchase of printed choral music and for instrumentalists for holiday liturgies, concerts and other special occasions.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember to pray for the following in your prayers: Cathy Craig, Julia Callaghan, Daniel Callaghan, Elizabeth Stuart, Marie Somers, Bill Aber, Neville Moore, Jane O'Donoghue, George Richmond Files Jr., Megan More, Ludgarda Rosa, Stephanie Windsor, Amy Dombrowski, Mark F. Davonski, Beth Hebron, Jennifer Bober, Melissa O'Brien, Rita Arena, John Colaku, Kate Mullin, Norma Gonzalez, Agnes Marshall, Bekim Colaku, Mary Jane Tannen, Catherine Sullivan, Robert Charles, Jeanie Marucci, Patricia Bee and Elizabeth Mary, Donna T., Roy Bell, Norma Hermann, Mimi Hermann, Jennie Magliaro, Annalise Magilaro, Grace McGrath and Anne O'Brien.



Knights of Columbus have been busy!

The OLS Council of the Knights of Columbus, which is called the Regina Pacis Council (Queen of Peace) has been and will continue to be very active! Highlights from 2022 include:

- September 11: Knights set up and took down tables, chairs, etc. for the OLS parish picnic. Maybe you saw them at the picnic. Many Knights attended the picnic wearing their new custom-made Regina Pacis KofC polo shirts.
- November 20: After a 3-year hiatus due to Covid, the Knights gathered at OLS for the annual Memorial Mass for the seventeen council members who died since the last Memorial Mass. Lou Budzyn led the group in the recitation of the Rosary prior to the Mass.
- The Council supported food pantries at both Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Joseph's. The Knights donated 20 turkeys to St. Joseph's for the holiday, and teamed up with the Valley Road School in Clark, NJ to obtain and deliver a truckload of food to Our Lady of Sorrows. Also, on November 5, 2022, several Knights, led by Pete Morin, assisted the OLS food pantry by setting up food for distribution.
- December 2: The Knight's Christmas party was an enjoyable night with delicious food and great company. The "red rug" gift auction fundraiser was a tremendous success, raising over \$1,600.00 for charity.
- December 3: The Knight's free throw competition for boys and girls ages 9-14 was held at the OLS gym. Several children were awarded age group awards and will be eligible to compete in the next level of the State-wide competition.
- Other highlights for the Regina Pacis Council, which relocated from St. Joseph Church to OLS in 2022, were the induction of several new members in CUF (Charity, Unity & Fraternity) degrees, the setting up of a Knights Facebook page by Pete Morin (see Knights of Columbus - #4066 Regina Pacis), and the appointment of Knights to support our Grand Knight, David Luciano, by leading the various council committees: Spirituality (Len Mrozak), Youth (Lou Budzyn), Community (Peter Morin), and Membership (John Becht), and the appointment of John Robertson to take the meeting Minutes.

Upcoming events for the Regina Pacis Knights of Columbus Council include:

- Our next Council meeting is February 13, 2023, at 7:00 pm at OLS in the lower chapel.
- The Knights will offer assistance for running of the "February Frenzy" basketball tournament at the Our Lady of Sorrows School.
- The Knights will carry out the 2023 plans of the OLS St. Gianna Pro Life ministry, including a "baby bottle" fundraising campaign and a fundraiser for a pregnancy care center.
- A Lenten retreat sponsored by the Knights is planned for March 25, 2023, at the Sisters of Charity Mendham Convent, from 9 to 3pm, featuring speaker Allan Wright. See future bulletins for more information.

Interested in joining the Regina Pacis Knights of Columbus at OLS? Sign up online at: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html>. For further information, John Robertson at Maryleads2@aol.com.

**Our Lady of Sorrows
"2023 Calendar Raffle"**



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Drawing to be held the 15th day of each month at @ 1:00 pm in the Church office.

First Drawing: January 15, 2023

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