



Our Lady of Sorrows

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Go your way;
your faith has
saved you.

Mark 10:52



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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October 27, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

I began seminary studies in 1999. My first days, weeks, and months were very stressful and caused me much anxiety and doubt. I was living in Rome, Italy and Italian was the seminary's common house language. All my classes were also in Italian, and I only had a rudimentary knowledge of that language when I first moved there. Not only that, but it was a very new and different existence that I was living. Before I entered seminary, I was a real estate developer, and my life was pretty straightforward (and wonderful). Then I found myself in a whole new world, culture, and way of life. Plus, I had to study philosophy in Italian! Needless to say, I sometimes felt like I was lost in the dark.

Amid those uncertain days, I stumbled upon a prayer written by Cardinal John Henry Newman (he has since been canonized a saint). Newman wrote it as a hymn when he was going through a very difficult time in his own life. It struck me to the core, and I prayed it every single night for a year. I found that it brought me much consolation and refocused my outlook. It's entitled, "Lead, Kindly Light." I encourage you to look it up and read (and memorize) the entire prayer. The first paragraph is particularly powerful:

*Lead, Kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead Thou me on;
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead Thou me on.
Keep Thou my feet;
I do not ask to see the distant scene;
one step enough for me.*

This Sunday's first reading is from the book of Jeremiah. It describes the "*remnant of Israel*," who had survived the 721 B.C. Assyrian captivity (which later merged with the Babylonian captivity). Jeremiah encourages the exiles with God's promise of a joyful return to Jerusalem. The passage foretells God's commitment to give His people life in all its fullness. Through their exile and suffering, the people had learned to humble themselves and turn to God with sincere repentance. In turn, and amid the encircling gloom, God led them safely home.

The reading from Jeremiah is a reminder that God is on our side. I know that life sometimes throws many curve balls at us, but we must never forget, as we hear in that first reading, that God wants what is best for us: "*delivering His people . . . bringing them back . . . gathering them . . . consoling them... guiding them . . . leading them.*"

No matter what we go through as individuals, as a nation, as a Church, as members of the human family, don't lose hope. Perhaps you can pray that prayer of Newman, asking the Lord to deliver you (and us) from darkness and encircling gloom, that even though we don't see the distant scene, we recognize that one step at a time is enough. Newman's prayer/hymn has this line in its final stanza, and it should become one of our anthems that we turn to continually: *So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still will lead me on.*

Hopeful blessings,



**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF
OUR PARISHIONERS**

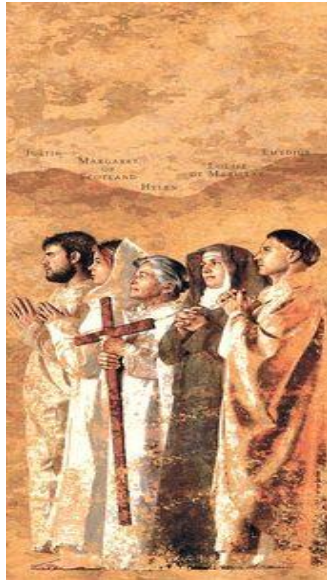
October 20	Week 17	YTD
Collection	\$12,332	\$204,485
Budgeted	\$12,164	\$206,788

World Mission Sunday – 2nd Collection
\$2,537

Thank you for your generosity!

All Saints Day

Friday, November 1st is All Saints' Day and a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have four Masses: 7:00am, 9:30am (School Mass), Noon, and 7:00pm.



All Saints Day honors the saints in Heaven – those who have been recognized by the Church as saints, as well as those who have not been canonized. The feast was established in Rome as a result of the emperor's giving of the Pantheon (the temple to all the gods) to the Church and its dedication to St. Mary and All the Martyrs. This followed the principle, "Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat!" (Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands). Thus, throughout the Mediterranean many churches have been built over pagan sites, sanctifying them for Christ. – www.ewtn.com

In his homily on November 1, 2006, Pope Benedict XVI stated: "The Saints are friends and models of life for us. Let us invoke them so that they may help us to imitate them and strive to respond generously, as they did, to the divine call."

Upcoming November Events

- 11/1 All Saints' Day
- 11/2 All Souls' Day AND our Mass of Remembrance at Noon
See flyer on page 6
- 11/3 Pancake Breakfast after the 10:00 and 11:30am Masses
See flyer below.
- 11/5 Election Day – Polls open at 6:00am and close at 8:00pm
- 11/8 Concert of Remembrance
7:30pm
- 11/10 Bagels, Coffee and Donuts after the 10:00 and 11:30am Masses
- 11/12 Rosary Society meeting at 7:00pm in the lower chapel and St. Joseph's Hall. All are welcome to attend!
- 11/24 Bagels, Coffee and Donuts after the 10:00 and 11:30am Masses
- 11/28 Thanksgiving Day: one Mass only, at 9:00 am.

**Join us for an OLS
Pancake
Breakfast**

Sunday, November 3rd

**after the 10:00am and
11:30am Masses
in St. Joseph's Hall**

Pancakes, juice, coffee and more!

**BREAKFAST IS FREE - DONATIONS ACCEPTED
FOR A COAT DRIVE FOR THOSE IN NEED**

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COLUMBUS**

Meet Our Staff

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Coffee and Donuts and Bagels... Oh My!

Join us in St. Joseph's Hall after the 10:00 and 11:30am Masses today (10/27) for bagels and coffee and donuts. It'll help prime your teeth for Halloween candy!

Coffee and
donuts



2025 Mass Intentions

The 2025 Mass book is now open. You may call (973) 763-5454 to request a Mass, visit our parish office between 9:30am - 4:00pm Monday through Friday, or complete the Mass request form on our website:

www.olschurch.com

*Every Holy Mass, heard with devotion,
produces in our souls marvelous effects,
abundant spiritual and
material graces which
we, ourselves, do not
know.*

– St. Padre Pio



THE NURSERY AT OUR LADY OF SORROWS

ENROLL TODAY

Infants (6wks -12 mths)
Waddler (12 mths- 24 mths)

MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:30AM-5:30PM

- MORNING & AFTERNOON SNACK PROVIDED
- FREE PARKING
- CAMERA IN EACH ROOM
- EXPERIENCE BABY & TODDLER CURRICULUM
- YOGA CLASSES
- MUSIC & MOVEMENT CLASSES

TOURS ARE AVAILABLE!



CONTACT US TODAY

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VIGIL, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024

5:30 PM Theodore and Paul Kubilus

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

8:00 AM DePaola, Deehan & Salvante Families

10:00 AM John Peter Aurora

11:30 AM People of the Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024

7:00 AM Norman Pascual

12:00 PM Venante Louis

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2024

7:00 AM Frank Verest

12:00 PM Sabrina Georges – Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2024

7:00 AM Louis Eckhoff

12:00 PM Richard Bocchinfuso

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2024

7:00 AM Anne M. Gallo

12:00 PM Kate Powis

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2024

7:00 AM Walter Wiggins – 4th Anniversary

9:30 AM School Mass

12:00 PM Maurice Mathelier and Deceased Members of the Mathelier Family

7:00 PM Cathy Craig

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024

8:30 AM Edward Silliere

12:00 PM Louis Rimpel and Souls of the Faithful Departed

VIGIL, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024

5:30 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

8:00 AM Bernadette Ezuduemoih & Family Special Intention and All Souls in Purgatory

10:00 AM Manuel Fernandes

11:30 AM Tommy Fuss

Pray for the Departed



Let us remember our deceased loved ones in our prayers.

St. Paul of the Cross wrote, *“If, during life, we have been kind to the suffering souls in purgatory, God will see that help be not denied us after death.”*

In Memoriam

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

This week’s Sanctuary Candle is in memory of John Peter Aurora requested by Maggie and Don Bender & Girls



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, Beth Hebron, Deborah Hebron, Mimi Hermann, Norma Hermann, Agnes Marshall, Elizabeth Mary, Patricia McDonnell, Neville Moore, Megan More, Kathleen Mullan, Kate Mullin, Melissa O’Brien, Ludgarda Rosa, Julian Sherman, Marie Somers, Elizabeth Stuart, Catherine Sullivan, Donna T., Mary Jane Tannen, Stephanie Windsor



An Invitation Especially for You

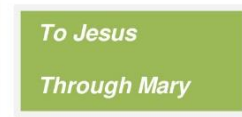
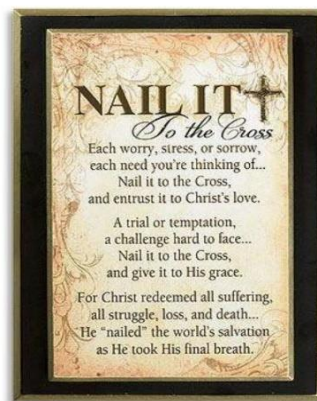
Our Lady of Sorrows Parish will be celebrating its Mass of Remembrance in memory of departed family members, friends and parishioners who had their funeral Mass here at Our Lady of Sorrows between October 2023 and October 2024. The Mass will be on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at 12:00 Noon.

Please save the date to come together in prayer. All are welcome. A Book of Remembrance will be available two weeks before the Mass to list the names of one's own departed loved ones.

As a family we will gather in St. Joseph's Hall for refreshments following the Mass.

****Anyone who wishes to bake or buy a cake, or some cookies, or fruit that would add to our family gathering of prayer and fellowship for our deceased, please call the office letting us know what you will contribute.**

Please bring items to the office on Thursday, October 31st.
Thanks ever so Much!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Sr.Mary Selina





Join fellow OLS Families For a
fun evening at the
Paper Mill Playhouse

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

7:30pm

to see

**White Christmas
the Musical**

OLS has reserved a limited number of tickets at the special
group rate of \$35.00 per ticket (adults and kids).

Seats are on the rear sides of the orchestra.

Complete the tear off form below and mail/deliver your check
to the parish office c/o Joan Delaloye. Questions: j6delaloye@yahoo.com

Orders are due by Wednesday, November 13th

Please print clearly, Thank you!

Name: _____

Address: _____ **Zip:** _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Number of tickets: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Make check payable to:
Our Lady of Sorrows
Parish
217 Prospect Street
South Orange, N.J. 07079

**Tickets will be
mailed to your
home 2-3 weeks
before the show**