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 MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm; Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 am Monday-Friday7:00 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 29, 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Andrew

I have an interesting experience of having lived in four different countries. South Korea is one of them, where I was born and spent my childhood. The Philippines is a country where my family spent a year before moving to the States. Our family moved to the States when I was eleven, and we had to move back to Korea because of the challenges we experienced in getting a green card. I also lived in China for one year, as I lived in Korea for four years before moving back to the States at seventeen.

Many people ask me, "Why did you move around so much"? I often tell them, "I don't know," because I don't know why. My parents' job was never the cause of moving around so much. I think it just happened as the life unfolded. However, one thing I know is that God was behind it all. He had led our family to move from place to place, perhaps for a bigger plan we couldn't even think of. From that experience, I think I am used to being a foreigner. I am now an American citizen, but the memory of being an immigrant who was concerned about the future without too much certainty formed within me hope to settle somewhere one day and feel at home.

Perhaps, no matter where I go, I won't be able to feel at home the way I want it because my true home is heaven. That goes the same for all of you as well. None of us are created to live once here on Earth and disappear. We are made to live eternally with God after the long journey of life here on Earth. Today's first reading shares God's command to His people to be charitable to aliens around them, for they were aliens first before God led them out of Egypt.

You and I are God's people who live with the hope of entering our true home thanks to our Lord Jesus. In that, all of us should remember the fact that we are aliens in one way or another because our true home is nowhere to be found during our life here on Earth. Without recognizing the fact that we are people headed to heaven, we will be like birds that stay on the ground without knowing they can fly. We are created for a better home than any palaces we can find.

Then, that gives us a great reason to be charitable to all. Why? The fact that we hope to enter our true home as aliens should lead us to love everyone around us, who are equally called to return to our true home as aliens.

Life can be difficult, and everyone seeks to be consoled from time to time. Even when we live in our place of birth, there comes a time when it feels like nobody around us gets what we are going through, and nothing around us helps us feel at home. Well, that is normal because we are pilgrims until we see God face-to-face in heaven. The way we want to feel at home and the way we want to be consoled should inspire us to know that others around us might feel the same. So, starting today, why don't we love our neighbors how we want to be loved? Why don't we start loving them the way God would love them? Doing so will help one another never lose hope while on our long journey back home, where our Good Father awaits us.

Blessings!

Fr. Andrew

THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

| October 22 nd | Week 17 | Y. to Date |
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| Collection | \$12,457 | \$199,444 |
| October 22 nd Collection Budgeted | \$12,027 | \$204,452 |
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World Mission Sunday \$1,858 Food Pantry \$1,126 Repairs and Maintenance \$270 Pamphlets \$560

Thank you for your generosity!

Please Remember OLS

Leaving a gift in your will is a very personal decision and you should look after your loved ones first. Once this provision is made, we ask that you consider including a bequest to the Parish. A gift in your will to OLS is a practical and powerful way to ensure the continued success of the Parish.

2024 Mass Intentions

The 2024 Mass book is now open. You may send in your Mass intention requests by mail. The donation for Masses is \$10 for each one. Please use the form (available on our website, <u>www.olschurch.com</u>, the eblast and copies in the vestibule of the church), to submit requests by mail or place in the Sunday collection basket. When we receive your request, we will call you to let you know if the date and time you requested is unavailable. If you require a Mass card, we will mail it to you (please check the box below if you wish to have a Mass card).

OLS Men's Discussion Series

The men of the parish are invited to a monthly discussion series that will focus on a man's role in society, the family, and his own faith. We will meet on the following dates at 7:30 pm in the Lower Chapel.

• Tuesday, Nov. 28: Brotherhood

• Monday, Dec. 11: Sacramental Life All are welcome and refreshments will be served. For further information, contact Lou Budzyn: <u>kc303@gmail.com</u>. This Discussion Series is sponsored by the OLS Knight of Columbus Regina Pacis (Queen of Peace) Council.

Our Lady of Sorrows School Employment Opportunities

973-762-5169

Part-time Pre-Kindergarten 4 Teacher (2023-2024)

Candidates interested in joining an outstanding team of Pre-Kindergarten Catholic school educators are asked to send: cover letter and resume to Ms. Judy A. Foley, Principal, at <u>principal@ourladyofsorrowsschool.org</u>. Bache lor's degree and experience working in Early Childhood are required.

Part-time Pre-Kindergarten Extended Day Assistant (2023-2024)

Candidates interested in joining an outstanding team of Pre-Kindergarten Catholic school educators are asked to send: cover letter and resume to Ms. Judy A. Foley, Principal, at <u>principal@ourladyofsorrowsschool.org</u>. Aftern oon hours till 6pm, daily.

Candy Drive

Wrapped candy can be dropped in the collection bin in the front vestibule of the Church until Nov. 10. Thank you!



Meet Our Staff

Rev. Brian X. Needles. Pastor frbrianneedles@gmail.com Rev. Andrew Lee, Parochial Vicar frlee527@gmail.com Rev. Robert Suszko, Weekend Assistant Rev. Richard Pfannenstiel, Priest in Residence Rev. Eugenio de la Rama, Priest in Residence Rev. Patrick Seo, Priest in Residence Deacon Walter Wiggins, Permanent Deacon deaconwalt@outlook.com Ms. Judy Foley, School Principal principal@ourladyofsorrowsschool.org Sr. Mary Selina, S.C.C., Pastoral Associate passociate07@gmail.com Jennifer Noll. Catechetical Coordinator jennollols@gmail.com Christopher Kaiser. Youth Minister kaiserch@shu.edu Stephanie Sonnick, Ministerial Associate olschurchministries@gmail.com Colleen McDonald. Administrative Assistant sorrowschurch@gmail.com Preston Dibble, Director of Music olsmusician@gmail.com Karlene Campbell, Nursery Director karlene@thenurseryatols.org Charles Noun, Business Manager ols217so@msn.com Anne Moore, Parish Administrative Assistant ols.pastor@verizon.net

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:00pm

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. 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.

Update from the OLS Food Pantry

The OLS Food Pantry is very busy and demand for our services remain high. We are serving nearly 200-250 families with each pantry distribution. For the calendar year 2022, this amounts to 8,341 bags of groceries provided to 6,773 families made up of 25.066 individuals. In addition to the staple items. each family receives fresh produce and milk with each distribution. This would not be possible without the generosity of Our Lady of Sorrows church, its parishioners and the surrounding community. Thank you.

Please continue to help us keep our shelves stocked with basic grocery items including hot/cold cereal (low sugar), pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, beans (can/dry), canned tuna/chicken and rice. Food donations can be dropped off in the lower church Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:00 pm inside the 4th Street entrance (buzz to be let in) or in the church vestibule Saturday/Sunday morning. Monetary donations are also accepted by check (payable to 'OLS Food Pantry' and mailed to the church at 217 Prospect Street) or online at https://olschurch.com/parish-giving/

Questions? Email olspantry@gmail.com or call 973-370-0458.





VIGIL, SATURDAY OCTOBER 28, 2023

5:30 PM The Kirk Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

- 8:00 AM Deceased Members of the DePaola, Deehan, and Salvante Families
 10:00 AM People of the Parish
- 11:30 AM Jennifer Bober

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023

- 7:00 AM Louis Eckhoff
- 12:00 PM Vincent McNany

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023

7:00 AM Selina McHugh 12:00 PM Anne Gallo

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023

- 7:00 AM Walter Wiggins 3rd Anniversary
- 9:30 AM School Mass
- 12:00 PM Maurice Mathelier and All Deceased members of the Mathelier Family7:00 PM People of the Parish

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2023

- 7:00 AMSouls of the Faithful Departed12:00 PMSouls of the Faithful Departed
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2023

7:00 AMSouls of the Faithful Departed12:00 PMSouls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023

- 8:30 AMCarter Falzarano12:00 PMSouls of the Faithful Departed
 - VIGIL SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023
- 5:30 PM William Cody Jr. and Alice Cody

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

| 8:00 AM | People of the Parish |
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| 10:00 AM | Souls of the Faithful Departed |
| 11:30 AM | Eileen DePaola |

Welcomed Home by God

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: Joan Ballsmith. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. Amen

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: 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, Mark F. Davonski, Beth Hebron, 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, Anne O'Brien, Deborah Hebron, Kathleen Mullan, Kate Powis, and Kevin Golding.



An Invitation Especially for You

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish will celebrate its Mass of Remembrance in memory of departed family members, friends and parishioners who had their funeral mass at Our Lady of Sorrows between October 2022 and October 2023. The Mass will be on Thursday, November 2, 2022, at 7:00pm.

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





FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH: HYMN FESTIVAL



Sunday, October 29-4:00PM

Preston Dibble, Conductor

St. Augustine tells us that *to sing is to pray twice*. We do this each time we gather for Mass and so too shall we pray twice at this concert offered by our Parish Choir and brass.

The hymn festival will be similar in format to our annual Carol Sing where some music is presented by the choir alone and some includes congregational participation. All of the music will be based upon recognized hymn tunes from our hymnal and will have embellishments by our choir with support from the Gramercy Brass Quintet.

FREE Admission

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MUSIC OF MANY Styles

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