

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
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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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December 19, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Advent

A Message From Fr. Brian

The Nativity story captures us year after year, as it brings good tidings of great joy into our lives. Through the birth of the Christ Child, God tells us whose we are and He tells us that we're loved. This little baby gives meaning to our lives. That's the miracle of Christmas: God staggers the world by stepping out of Heaven and into a manger.

As you celebrate the Birth of Our Savior, I encourage you to live every day of the year as though it were Christmas, as you hold the Baby Jesus in your hearts and share Him with the world that surrounds you.

On behalf of the priests, deacons, and staff of Our Lady of Sorrows Church and School, I wish upon you all the joy and peace of this holy season. May you and your families forever experience the love and blessings of the Christ Child and the maternal protection of His Blessed Mother! A very Joyous and Merry Christmas to all!

Christmas Blessings!



Christmas at OLS

Christmas Eve

4:30 PM: Family Mass with Saint Cecilia Singers and Youth Choir

7:00 PM: Mass with Cantor

9:30 PM: Concert with Parish Choir and Gramercy Brass Quintet

10:00 PM: Mass with Parish Choir and Gramercy Brass Quintet

Christmas Day

8:00 AM: Mass with Cantor

10:00 AM: Mass with Cantor

11:30 AM: Mass with Parish Choir

Christmas Giving Tree

**All Gifts are due to the church Vestibule by Noon on
Sunday, December 19th**

*"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."
Matthew 25:40*

You can bring holiday joy to underprivileged families in our area: Make generosity part of your Advent preparation for the Christ Child. **300 children are in need** – please be as generous as possible!



Please select a request tag(s) from the trees in the church vestibule. Deliver wrapped gifts (with tags securely taped) to the Church on or before **Sunday, December 19th before 12:00 Noon**

Though your generosity is greatly appreciated, timeliness is also key. Gifts cannot be delivered to the children if they are not on time.

Questions: Anne Moore • ols.pastor@verizon.net or 973-763-5454



Our Lady of Sorrows Carol Sing 2021

**Sunday, December 19, 2021
4:00 PM**

All are invited to place themselves in a spirit of preparation for our Lord's birth with the annual Carol Sing. Members of our parish choirs will offer traditional carols and choral music with handbells and other instruments.

Preston Dibble Director of Music
Vince Carr, Organist; Gramercy Brass Quintet;
John Romeri, flute; Merynda Adams, harp
Free will offering

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**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING
OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

***This will be reported in our next bulletin.
Thank you for your continued support!***

***Thank you in advance for your generosity
to our Christmas collection!***

Update from the OLS Food Pantry

The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a tremendous toll on local families. We now provide bags of groceries to 400-450 families on our Saturday distribution dates.

Please help us keep our shelves stocked with basic grocery items including boxed milk (1qt, all types), hot/cold cereal (low sugar), pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, beans (can/dry), canned tuna & chicken, rice (1lb bags, all types), canned fruit and vegetables.

Food donations can be dropped off:

- **Monday-Friday: 9:30-4:00 – 4th Street entrance (lower Church – buzz to be let in)**
- **Saturday: 8:00-6:00 – Church front vestibule**
- **Sunday: 8:00-12:00 – Church front vestibule**
- ***Please do not leave food at the Rectory.***

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.



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. Please consider spending some quiet time in prayer before Our Lord in the exposed Eucharist. What the world, our nation, our Church, and our families need now more than ever is time spent with Jesus in quiet prayer. 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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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.**

Sponsor Certificates: A reminder

To receive a Sponsor Certificate for Baptism or Confirmation, you must be registered in the parish for a minimum of 6 months. Sponsor Certificates indicate that **the individual is a registered member of our parish, is a practicing Catholic, and has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.**



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RE-GIFTING PROJECT FOR THOSE IN NEED

OLS is once again participating in the **Re-Gifting Project**. Few of us "need" all of the gifts we receive at Christmas, and sometimes we receive gifts we do not want or can't use. Instead of rushing back to the store right after Christmas to return the gifts, or letting them gather dust on a shelf, why not share our Christmas joy by giving these gifts to others?

This is an opportunity to give to those in need at a time when many are struggling, and it is a great lesson for adults and children alike to look at all of the gifts they have received and offer one to someone who may have none at all.

Your donated gifts may be brought to church on the following dates: **Sunday, December 26** and the weekends of **January 1/2** and **January 8/9**. Please place the gifts in the church vestibule. There is no need to wrap the items.

The gifts will be delivered to St. Mary's at Newark Abbey on January 9, where they will be directly distributed to those in need. If you have any questions, please contact Anna Nelson: 973-378-3136 or annanelson202@gmail.com.





VIGIL SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2021

5:30 PM Walter Borowicz

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021

8:00 AM The Deceased Members of the
Lambusta and Abramo Families
10:00 AM Manuel Fernandes
11:30 AM People of the Parish

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2021

7:00 AM Betty Ann and Ed Duthie
12:00 PM Robert DeCastro

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2021

7:00AM Elizabeth and Lyndon Bryce
12:00 PM Patricia Wiggins - 2nd Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2021

7:00 AM George Evans
12:00 PM Waldron, Stuart and Hanson
Families

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2021

7:00AM Patricia Bendrot
12:00 PM Marie A. Maddi

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2021

9:00 AM Rosetta Giuliano - 10th Anniversary
4:30 PM People of the Parish
7:00 PM People of the Parish
10:00 PM People of the Parish

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2021

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM People of the Parish
11:30 AM People of the Parish

No 5:30 pm Mass on Christmas Day

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

8:00 AM George Just
10:00 AM People of the Parish
11:30 AM Deacon John Inguaggiato

In Sympathy Of

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away here at OLS: **Yasmine A. Stennett Toles**. We pray for the repose of her soul and also for those left behind during this time of loss.

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 **Manuel Fernandes**. Requested by Joy Fernandes and Family.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember to pray for the following in your prayers: Julia Callaghan, Angie Sena, 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, Rosemary Muller, Norma Gonzalez, Agnes Marshall, Bekim Colaku, Kyle Reardon and Mary Jane Tannen.



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