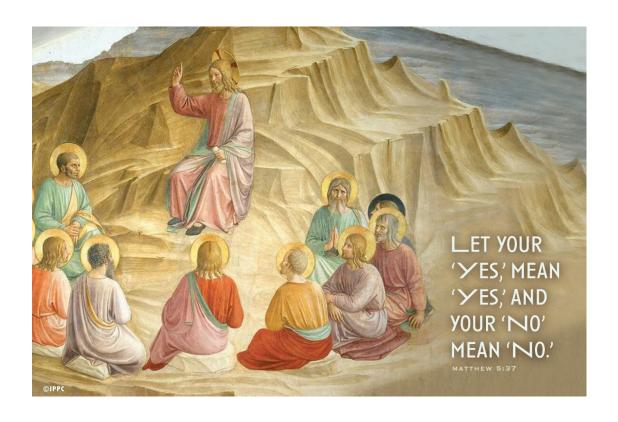


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MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm; Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 am Monday-Friday7:00 am and 12:00 pm; Saturday 8:30 am and 12:00 pm Penance: Confessions Saturday 12:45 pm – 2:00 pm or by appointment

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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February 12, 2023
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

It seems like we just finished the Christmas liturgical season and yet we now find ourselves just 10 days from Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Before we get to the discipline of Lent, this Sunday's readings invite us to think about God's commandments. In the first reading, the prophet Sirach begins: "If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you." The psalmist proclaims, "Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!" Those words point to this "following" of the law as being external and action-based: "Blessed are they...who walk in the law of the Lord;" "Blessed are they who observe his decrees."

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says that He has not come "to abolish the Law…but to fulfill" it. "Fulfill" means to fill up the law's deepest intent and show the goal to which it leads: salvation, via a relationship with God through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit. Jesus expands God's laws from a strictly exterior action to include an interior conversion of heart. His invitation to us is not to simply an exterior action, a "virtue signal" (as so many people do today!), but rather to allow God's law to be written upon our heart, knit into the very fiber of our being. This transformation is possible for each one of us through an active relationship with Jesus Christ.

And how do we deepen that active relationship with Christ? We can tap into the life of God by participating in the Sacraments of the Church and in our daily life of prayer. Let us remember that there is no prayer more powerful than the Mass, where heaven and earth meet and where Christ's sacrifice is re-presented for all of us to partake in.

But it's a reality that sometimes Mass can feel old, irrelevant, or confusing. Sometimes even my mind wanders during Mass. We are prone to getting distracted by others around us and getting lost in our mental "to-do list." That is why this Lent, OLS is excited to offer a Lenten series to shake that off and reveal to you the beauty, richness, and the biblical roots of the Mass. This small-group program will bring you together with others in the parish community and introduce to you to the extraordinary meaning of what happens in each moment of the Mass.

For one hour a week on 5 consecutive Tuesday evenings (starting February 28th), this fruitful dive into the Mass will help deepen your experience of Sunday Mass. Together as a group we'll view a 30-minute video and then we'll split into small groups to reflect upon what we've just watched. And if you can't join us for every week, please still join us on the Tuesdays when you are free. *You can participate either virtually (via Zoom) or in person!*

The experience of A Biblical Walk Through the Mass will deepen your Lenten journey, help you better understand the miracle of the Mass, and give you the knowledge to receive the Eucharist each week with joy, love, and awe. The Eucharist is the daily bread we need from God to help us grow in grace and virtue and transform our hearts to be more like His. Join us this Lent and give yourself this gift!

You can join us for A Biblical Walk Through the Mass by scanning the QR code seen here or in the flyer in today's bulletin, or by emailing Stephanie Sonnick at olschurchministries@gmail.com. We look forward to having you join us as we gain a deeper appreciation for the beauty and mystery of the Mass!

Blessings,

Fr. Brian

THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

February 5th	Week 32	Y. To Date
Collection	\$11,419	\$378,958
Budgeted	\$11,788	\$377,214

Food Pantry \$363
Repairs & Maintenance \$6,405
Thank you for your generosity!

Please Remember OLS

Thank you for considering OLS in your will. A bequest to the Parish makes a lasting positive change. It is a powerful reflection of the values and principles you treasure. It enables you to create a legacy of love and care for those who most need assistance and it will continue your life's aims beyond your own lifetime.

Proclaim God's Word

Have you ever proclaimed God's Word in another Church? Have you become aware of how much you love to read aloud and someone commented on how well you read?

Have you been moved to proclaim as you listened to someone else proclaim the Word of God at Mass?

Our Lady of Sorrows needs more Proclaimers of God's Word. If you answered "yes" to any of



the questions above and are in High School or older, then God may be asking to use your voice to proclaim His Word. Consider saying "Yes" to God's request you hear in your heart. Contact Sr. Mary Selina:

passociate07@gmail.com or 201-345-7380

Rosary Society Meeting:

The Rosary Society will next meet on Tuesday, February 21st, at 7:00 pm. Please join us in the lower chapel to pray the Rosary together, and gather afterward for light refreshments. All are welcome, men and women.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Catholic Stewardship in Action



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. 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 church?



Stewardship Reflections

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

MATTHEW 5:20

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear — it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.

2023 Marriage Anniversary Masses

The Archdiocese of Newark is once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples who will be celebrating 5, 25, and 50 years of Christian marriage in the year 2023. The 50th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin and the 5th and 25th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Gregory Studerus, Both Masses will be in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 16, 2023 3:00 pm, Cardinal Joseph Tobin 50 years

May 7, 2023 3:00 pm, Bishop Gregory Studerus 5 and 25 years

Since the Archdiocese was unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid, and many families are still playing catchup with their celebrations, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Golden Anniversary in those years may join as well.

If you wish to participate in either Mass, please call Anne Moore at the parish office: 973-763-5454. She will need your first and last names, your address, date of marriage, and which Mass you wish to attend.

<u>Save the Date: March 25, Men's Lenten Day of Recollection</u>

The Men's Lenten Day of Recollection is scheduled for Saturday, March 25 at Villa Pauline in Mendham, from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Cost is \$50.00. Carpooling will be available from OLS. All men over the age of 18 are invited to attend.

Allan Wright. a well-known Author and Speaker and an Adjunct Professor at Seton Hall University, will present on the following topic: "Speaking of Faith: Engaging our Family, Friends and others in a way that's normal and effective."

Join us as Allan leads us in a relaxing and rewarding day of reflection, faith and friendship. About our presenter: www.Allanwright.org

The long standing Men's Lenten Day of Recollection is continuing under the sponsorship of the Knights of Columbus Regina Pacis Council #4066, now based at Our Lady of Sorrows. Contact Len Mrozak (908 872-4968 or mrozak@aol.com) for reservations and information. A detailed program will follow shortly.

Meet Our Staff

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Rev. Eugenio (Gino) de la Rama, Priest in Residence

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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."

Please sign up for Our Lady of Sorrows
Digital newsletter today! Go to our website
main page under news and events.
http://www.olschurch.com



VIGIL, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023

5:30 PM Bertha Sabater de Sanchez - 14th
Anniversary

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023

8:00 AM Kathryn Masterson 10:00 AM Amy Petraccaro 11:30 AM People of the Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023

7:00 AM Kyla Anne Dahlin 12:00 PM Cozzarelli Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023

7:00 AM The Regina Pacis Knights of Columbus who died in 2019

12:00 PM Angela Buch - 42nd Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023

7:00 AM Kathy Kelleher 12:00 PM Anna Cupper

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2023

7:00 AM Dennis Vanorden 12:00 PM James Sullivan

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2023

7:00 AM The Cavallaro Family

12:00 PM Rush Limbaugh - 2nd Anniversary

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2023

8:30 AM George Blair 12:00 PM Laura Garubo

VIGIL SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2022

5:30 PM William Cody, Sr.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023

8:00 AM Joel S. and Susan Ziegler 10:00 AM People of the Parish 11:30 AM The Brutofsky Family

In Sympathy Of

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: *Maureen E. Cannon*. 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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

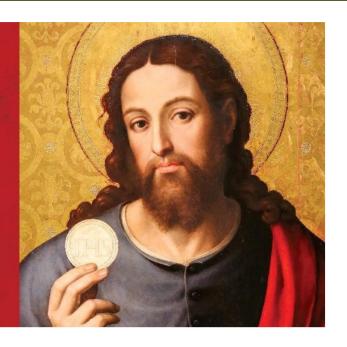
Donations to support our wonderful Music Ministry are gratefully accepted. Donations are applied toward the purchase of printed choral music and for instrumentalists for holiday liturgies, concerts and other special occasions.

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, 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, Anne O'Brien and Maureen Cannan.



A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS



Join a Small Group this Lent and Discover the Deep Meaning of the Mass!

Everything we do in the Liturgy is steeped in biblical language and deep, cosmic significance.

But sometimes, it's the longest hour of our week!

Join a Lenten small group this year & get to know your fellow parishioners as we journey together into the biblical roots of the Mass. You'll emerge knowing others and the love of God more deeply than before!

Tuesday Evenings 7pm - 8pm

> Dates: Feb 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28

In-Person or Virtual



Scan QR code or email to register: olschurchministries@gmail.com

Our Lady of Sorrows "2023 Calendar Raffle"



\$120 Donation & 12 Chances to win! Cash Prize of \$1500 Each Month Only 500 tickets will be sold

Every Ticket Holder eligible to win each month, even if you won a previous month.

Drawing to be held the 15th day of each month at @ 1:00 pm in the Church office. First Drawing: January 15, 2023

Purchase by completing the form below and mail with your donation or put in the collections on Sunday, it will be brought to the office. We will mail your ticket to you. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Sorrow's Church (for \$120.00).

We can take checks, cash or credit cards
Click here to purchase online https://olschurch.com
or print the form to send in with your check or cc #

Our Lady of Sorrows 2023 CALENDAR RAFFLE ORDER FORM

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