



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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February 19, 2023

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

At the end of this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus offers us a big challenge. He says, "*Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.*" We understandably wonder how it is possible to be perfect and so we say to ourselves, "Easy for Jesus to say. He's God. There's no way I could possibly be perfect."

Well, perhaps our problem is that the word "perfect" isn't perfectly translated in this Gospel passage. The Greek word translated as "perfect" is *telios* and it means, "brought to completion; fully accomplished, fully developed; fully realized." For example, the function of a chair is fully realized (it reaches its *telios*) when it is sat upon. A delicious plate of pasta reaches its *telios* when it is eaten and enjoyed.

We Christians begin to reach our earthly *telios* when we grow in holiness, when we love more fully, when we forgive more freely, when we act more charitably, when we become more authentic disciples of Jesus Christ. This is a continual process and the holy season of Lent is our annual reminder to begin anew this call to conversion, to do as the prophet Joel tells us in the first reading on Ash Wednesday, that is, to "*return to the Lord with our whole hearts.*"

During Lent, we intensify our Christian discipleship and we deepen our friendship with God. Our Lady of Sorrows exists to help you in your journey toward "perfection" and so this Lent please take advantage of all the events and programming that we are offering you, including:

- **Ash Wednesday Masses:** Feb., 22, 7:00 am, 9:30 am (School Mass, but all are invited), 12:00 Noon, and 7:00 pm. At every Mass, ashes will be imposed on our foreheads.
- **A Biblical Walk through the Mass:** A small group series (virtual or in person) that will help us to understand more fully the Biblical origins of the Mass and the beauty and mystery of what we do at every celebration of the Mass. This will take place on 5 consecutive Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, beginning on Feb. 28. See the flyer in today's bulletin for further information.
- **Lenten Reflection Booklet:** A Lenten companion booklet from Magnificat Press is offered to every parishioner. They will be at the doors of the Church this Sunday. Please pick up a copy and try to read the daily reflections. They will definitely help you to grow in "perfection."
- **Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during Lent, 7:00 pm. Join us as we prayerfully meditate on Christ's Passion and Death.
- **St. Patrick's Day Party:** Saturday, March 18, 6:30 pm in the school gym. This celebration of St. Patrick will give us a wee little break in our Lenten disciplines! Stay tuned for further information.
- **Lenten Reflection Talk:** Wednesday, March 22, 7:30 pm. The husband and wife team of Dr. Eric Johnston and Mrs. Susan Johnston will offer this reflection. Eric is a professor at Seton Hall University and Susan works to empower women out of poverty through sustainable business. They are the parents of 7 children and their joint talk will offer us an informative and entertaining evening of reflection. Don't miss this!
- **Men's Lenten Day of Retreat:** Saturday, March 25, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. See elsewhere in this bulletin for more information on this wonderful day of reflection, prayer, and fellowship.
- **Lenten Penance Service:** Monday, March 27, 7:00 pm. Your chance to receive God's mercy and forgiveness. We'll have a communal penance service, followed by individual confessions. This is definitely a chance to grow in perfection!

Let's each of us use the 40 days of Lent to grow in holiness and perfection so that we'll be more ready to joyfully celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus on April 9th.

Blessings in Christ,



THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

February 12th	Week 33	Y. To Date
Collection	\$12,537	\$391,496
Budgeted	\$11,788	\$389,002

Candles \$360
Assessment \$2,138

Thank you for your generosity!

Please note: Monday, February 20th is Presidents Day. We will have only one Mass, at 9:00 am.

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

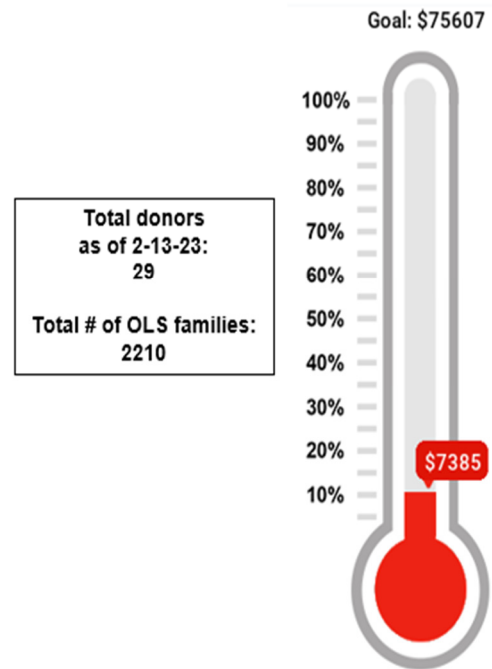
Have you ever proclaimed God's Word in another Church? Have you become aware of how much you love to read aloud and someone commented on how well you read? Have you been moved to proclaim as you listened to someone else proclaim the Word of God at Mass? Our Lady of Sorrows needs more Proclaimers of God's 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?



Masses with the distribution of ashes:

7:00 am
9:30 am School Mass
12:00 Noon
7:00 pm

Scout Corner

OPEN HOUSE: MARCH 23 for all girls ages 10 -17. Bring a friend! If you like taking trips, going camping, horseback riding, learning amazing new things like archery, game design, first aid, woodworking or even welding (!), Scouts BSA is for you. Join Troop 99G right here at OLS. We meet on Thursday nights. For more information, call 973-763-6349 or email OLSScoutsBSA@gmail.com.

Congratulations to OLS Scout Jennifer for earning the Pope Pius XII Catholic Scouting Award. Her service project last weekend was to collect food donations for the Our Lady of the Valley Soup Kitchen. Here she is with the OLV volunteers, dropping off the bags of donated items. Doesn't everybody look happy!



Save the Date: March 25, Men's Lenten Day of Recollection

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 lmrozak@aol.com) for reservations and information. A detailed program will follow shortly.



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VIGIL, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2023

5:30 PM William Cody, Sr.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023

9:00 AM All Presidents, Living and Deceased

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

7:00 AM Frank McLoughlin
12:00 PM Bernad Nathanson - 12th Anniversary

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2023

7:00 AM Elizabeth Polaski
9:30 AM School Mass (all are invited)
12:00 PM All Souls in Purgatory
7:00 PM Thomas Eubanks - Special Intention

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023

7:00 AM Dennis Vandorden
12:00 PM George Boselli

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

7:00 AM Douglas John Harper
12:00 PM Rev. Frederick Miller

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023

8:30 AM James Sprague
12:00 PM Msgr. James Cafone - 8th
Anniversary

VIGIL SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022

5:30 PM Amy Edwards

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Frank D'Alessio
11:30 AM Phyllis C. Van Dyke

Welcomed Home by God

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: **Adele Bosetti de Esteban**. 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

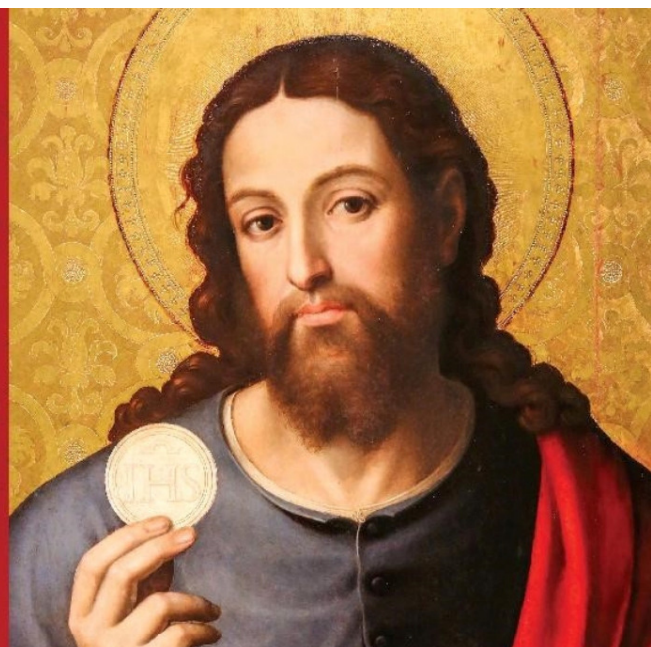
Donations to support our wonderful Music Ministry are gratefully accepted. Donations are applied toward the purchase of printed choral music and for instrumentalists for holiday liturgies, concerts and other special occasions.

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 and Anne O'Brien.



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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:
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\$120 Donation & 12 Chances to win!
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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

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).

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