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MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm, Sunday 8:00, 10:00 & 11:30 am Monday-Friday 7:00 am, 12:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am, 12:00 pm (Lower Church) Penance: Confessions Saturday 1:00 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 and arrange communion calls

Marriages: Arrange at least one year in advance with a parish priest

The Parish Staff

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February 9, 2020
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Stewardship is sharing our time, talent & treasure

Deacon John Inguaggiato, RIP

Our parish suffered a horrible loss on January 31st with the passing of Deacon John Inguaggiato. John lived in Maplewood and made OLS his home for more than 70 years. He graduated from our own grammar school and from both Seton Hall University and Kean University. Deacon John was ordained as a deacon on June 3, 1995 and served our parish for nearly 25 years. He was a constant and loving presence in our parish community.

Deacon John was involved in everything we did in the parish and he especially loved visiting our grammar school and the CCD classes. He took special joy in

speaking to our First Communicants. He baptized countless babies, assisted dozens of couples in their marriage preparation, presided at many wake services and burial committal ceremonies at the cemetery, and preached hundreds of Sunday homilies. He loved leading our various parish devotions, such as the blessing of animals on the Feast of St. Francis, the Stations of Cross during Lent, the blessing of throats on the Feast of St. Blaise, and the distribution of ashes on Ash Wednesday. He was probably most treasured by so many of our parishioners for his wise advice and counsel, his prayers promised and delivered, and the simple conversations that he loved to have with you, whether in Church, at the supermarket, on the street corner, a restaurant, or a thousand other places.



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we are to be "salt of the earth" and "light of the world." Deacon John was certainly salt of the earth, bringing zest and flavor into all of our lives. He was also light of the world, shining the bright light of faith, hope and love to those around him. Only God knows how many souls John brought to deeper faith, but it it's not a small number.

We will all sorely miss John's gentle soul, his peaceful presence, his joyful attitude, his positive outlook, his servant's heart, and his playful sense of humor. Nobody who met Deacon John walked away from that encounter without feeling blessed. John's life teaches us, among other things, that one person – striving to be salt of the earth and light of the world – can make a huge difference in the lives of so many others.

John, we already miss you! Rest in peace, good and faithful servant!

THE SACRAFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

February 2	Week 32	Y. to Date
Collection	\$11,767	\$401,586
Avg. Budgeted	\$13,269	\$424,615

<u>Congratulations to our first calendar raffle</u> winner!

Congratulations to Joy Fernandes on winning our first of 12 monthly drawings in our new calendar raffle. Joy won \$1,500! Joy's ticket went right back in the raffle drum for subsequent monthly drawings. It's certainly not too late to purchase a ticket, which will give you a chance to win one or more of the next 11 drawings. Tickets may be purchased in our parish office or you can drop the raffle form with a \$120 check into the Sunday collection. Our next drawing is March 2nd. Good luck to everyone!

Reflections on Catechism

782 The People of God is marked by characteristics that clearly distinguish it from all other religious, ethnic, political, or cultural groups found in history:

-It is the People of God: God is not the property of any one people. But he acquired a people for himself from those who previously were not a people: "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation."

-"The *status* of this people is that of dignity and freedom of the sons of God, in whose hearts the Holy Spirit dwells as in a temple."

-Its *mission* is to be salt of the earth and light of the world. This people is "a most sure seed of unity, hope and salvation for the whole human race."

13th of the Month Club

A meeting will be held on Saturday 2/15 at 10:30 in the Seton Room. All are welcome to join us in honoring Mary, Our Mother.

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

Thank You for the SOUPer Bowl Collection

The Peace and Justice Committee would like to thank all who donated to the "SOUPer Bowl" collection last weekend for the Food Pantry. We raised \$2735—the highest we've ever raised. Your generosity is much appreciated!

<u>NEWS & THANKS FROM THE OLS FOOD</u> PANTRY

Thank you for the tremendous turnout in monetary donations for SOUPERBowl organized by the OLS Peace & Justice Committee for the Pantry's benefit. We are so grateful to our fellow ministry for this annual event, as well as additional support throughout the year. Special thanks to Anna Nelson for organizing all the volunteers and pots! We will use the proceeds of the SOUPERBowl to purchase milk, our #1 needed item. Our 2020 goal is to provide milk to every pantry pantry each time we are open. We offer a range of milks, from fresh to shelf stable, including cow, soy, almond, we like it all. To volunteer at the Pantry, or see our list of most needed items, our Sign Up Genius link

is: http://bit.ly/OLSPANTRY

Men's Lenten Retreat, March 7

All men, high school age and beyond, are invited to take part in a silent retreat to be held on Saturday, March 7 at the Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown. Cost is \$40.00 per person. The day begins with a full breakfast at 8:00 AM and ends with Mass at 4:45. Included in between are two presentations, ample time for personal prayer, Reconciliation, full lunch, Stations of the Cross and the Mass.

The presentations will focus on Freedom and Awareness; showing us how to become free from anything in our lives that could keep us from becoming aware of the many ways God speaks to us every day. It promises to be a wonderful way to wrap up the first week of Lent.

The Retreat is sponsored by the OLS Men's Wednesday Morning Prayer Group. Car pooling will be available.

For reservations and information, please contact Len Mrozak (908 872-4968, lmrozak@aol.com) or Frank Franzonia (973 378-9039, ffranzonia@gmail.com)

<u>Do you need to have your civil marriage</u> "validated"?

On this World Marriage Sunday, it's good to remind ourselves that marriage is a sacrament in the Catholic Church. It sometimes happens, though, that couples get married outside of the Church. The reasons for this are many, but whatever the reason, a wedding officiated by a civil servant or in another faith without the permission of the Catholic Church, is *not* recognized by the Church as a sacrament or as a valid marriage. If you find yourself in that situation, thankfully there is a rather easy solution. You may ask the Church to convalidate your marriage, which makes sacramental that which a civil union makes merely legal. In other words, convalidation is the recognition and validation of a civil marriage, thereby receiving the blessing of the Church. If you are interested in having your presently invalid marriage convalidated ("blessed") by the Church and entering into a truly sacramental and grace-filled marriage, please contact Fr. Brian at frbrianneedles@gmail.com.

Think About It

"Peace, a thread of hope that unites earth to heaven, a word so simple and difficult at the same time. Peace means Forgiveness, the fruit of conversion and prayer, that is born from within and that, in God's name, makes it possible to heal old wounds. Peace means Welcome. openness to dialogue, the overcoming of closedmindedness, which is not a strategy for safety. but rather a bridge over an empty space. Peace means Cooperation, a concrete and active exchange with another, who is a gift and not a problem, a brother or sister with whom to build a better world. Peace denotes Education, a call to learn every day the challenging art of communion, to acquire a culture of encounter, purifying the conscience of every temptation to violence and stubbornness which are contrary to the name of God and human dignity."—Pope Francis

Think About It ... Anna Nelson for the Peace and Justice Committee

Live Mass Broadcast

Please tune into Seton Hall Pirate Radio WSOU 89.5 FM to hear Our Lady of Sorrows 10:00 am Mass on Sundays.

St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry

We wanted to share a photo from this year's March for Life in DC, which took place on Friday, January 24. Members of our parish joined Seton Hall University students for an exciting day, where for the first time in history, the President of the United States appeared in person at the March for Life Rally to speak to the pro-life crowd, which numbered in the hundreds of thousands (some have estimated anywhere between 100,000 to 500,000). We are grateful for the support of our president and for our pro-life representatives in Washington. We are grateful, also, to all pro-life activists and organizations that are fighting for the rights of the unborn, for abortion survivors, and for mothers who are in need of post-abortive healing. If you feel as passionate as we do about the pro-life movement, consider joining our ministry. We are always in need of volunteers to help spread the pro-life message. To be a ministry volunteer or to learn more, email Elena at elena.santoliquido@gmail.com or Katharine at katharinetownsend@hotmail.com.



OLS parishioners Carol and Cameron Holden, Deacon Walter Wiggins, Maria, Ana, and Elena Santoliquido, and Bob and Carmen Perez joined Seton Hall students at the 47th annual March for Life.

"We cannot know what our citizens yet unborn will achieve, the dreams they will imagine, the masterpieces they will create, the discoveries they will make. But we know this: Every life brings love into this world. Every child brings joy to a family. Every person is worth protecting. And above all, we know that every human soul is divine, and every human life — born and unborn — is made in the holy image of Almighty God."— President Donald Trump at the March for Life, January 24, 2020

Facebook: <u>facebook.com/olsprolife</u> | Instagram: @olsprolife.



Our Lady of Sorrows School News Learn Serve Lead Succeed

Our Lady of Sorrows School hosted our Second Annual STEM Fair on January 23rd.

OLS 6th and 7th graders were tasked to come up with feasible projects that positively impact humans, their local economies, and, by extension, the world. We welcomed 10 members of the Seton Hall Prep SHP Robotics and STEM Team for the judging.

In addition, SHP Students support OLS with weekly tutoring and mentoring of our students after school.

We encourage you to schedule a tour and even have your child visit for the day! See all that Our Lady of Sorrows has to offer! Visit www.ourladyofsorrowsschool.org or call 973.762.5169.



SAVE THE DATE! - 2020 Catholic Men's Commission and Women's Commission

Catholic Men's Conference: Saturday, February 29, 2020, at Seton Hall University.

This year's theme, for the English track, is "Be Not Afraid: Man of God... I am my Brother's Keeper!" The speaker for the English track will be **Paul Kim**, who is the founder of the Triumph Men's conference. His background includes a BA in Philosphy (Franciscan University of Stuebenville), an MA in Marriage and Family Therapy (Hope International University), religious formation with the community of the Franciscans Friars of the Renewal (NYC), and **Bishop John Flesey**, who is a retired auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Newark and a popular retreat master and teacher. The master of ceremonies will be Father John Gordon. The day begins at 8:00 am with registration and ends at 4:00 pm with Mass.

Women's Commission Day of Reflection: Saturday, March 7, 2020, at Seton Hall University.

This year's theme is "Alive in Christ: The Eucharist...His Heart in my Heart". The English track will feature keynote speakers **Sr. Bethany Madonna**, **S.V.**, who professed her perpetual vows as a Sister of Life in 2015 and serves her community as the Vocation Director, **Colleen Kelly Rayner**, founder of CKR Retreats, who is a dynamic speaker whose authentic witness ignites joy-filled evangelization and catechesis, and **Dr. Diane Traflet, J.D., S.T.D.**, who is the Associate Dean and Assistant Porfessor of Pastoral Theology, is the director of the Institute for Christian Spirituality and is a key leader in the Center for Diaconal Formation. She will also be the emcee for the day. The day begins at 8:00 am with registration and ends at 4:00 pm with Mass.

Registration for both events is \$30 for adults. Priests & religious are free. The day includes continental breakfast and lunch. More information will become available in January on these websites at www.rcan.org/womenscommission (WOMEN) or www.rcan.org/mens-commission (MEN)



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020

5:30 PM The McCauley Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Lambusta

& Abramo Families

10:00 AM All Rosarians Living & Deceased

11:30 AM People of the Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2020

7:00 AM Antiola Estephon 12:00 PM Joshua Dibble

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

7:00 AM Lola Naylor 12:00 PM Nancy Sullivan

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2020

7:00 AM Dominick Cipollone 12:00 PM Rosemarie Kelly

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2020

7:00AM Jennie Pellecchia 12:00 PM George Attenbury

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2020

7:00AM Joan Pertile

12:00 PM Frances Logue Special Intention

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2020

8:30 AM Kathy Kelleher 12:00 PM Anna Cupper

VIGIL MASS FEBRUARY 15, 2020

5:30 PM Gerard Weir

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020

8:00 AM Russell Pace Sr. 10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM Mario & Mary Inguaggiato

In Sympathy Of

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away here at OLS: *Deacon John Inguaggiato*. We pray for the repose of their soul and also for those left behind during this time of loss.

IN MEMORIAM

This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **those lost in the Kobe Bryant Tragedy**. Requested Ernestina & Ocie Lacv.

OFFER OF GIFTS

When the Mass intention is for your loved one or friend, and you would like to bring up gifts of bread and wine, please advise one of the ushers.

IN MEMORIAM

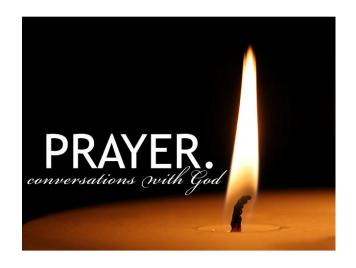
It is a loving gesture to donate the weekly Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or special intention.

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, Eileen Muench, Stephanie Windsor, Deacon John Inguaggiato, Amy Dombrowski, Mark F. Davonski, George Richmond Files Jr., Beth Hebron, Henry Hamel, Jennifer Bober and Rosemary Muller.



Our Lady of Sorrows 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 2nd day of each month at @2:00 pm in the Church office. First Drawing: February 2, 2020

Purchase Monday thru Friday in the Parish office between 9:30am & 4:00 pm Or complete the form below and mail with your donation. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Sorrow's Church (for \$120.00).

We can take checks, cash or credit cards

Our Lady of Sorrows 2020 CALENDAR RAFFLE ORDER FORM

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