

**Our Lady of Sorrows Church**  
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**MASSSES:** *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

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**March 22, 2020**  
**4th Sunday of Lent**

***Stewardship is sharing our time, talent & treasure***

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## A Message from Fr. Brian

As I write this bulletin column on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, it looks highly doubtful that we will have Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses this weekend and it's a big question mark (as are so many other things during these days) as to when we will resume weekend Masses. For now, weekday Masses (including on Saturdays) are still being celebrated. Please follow us on Facebook to stay up-to-date on the latest parish news.

All of the sufferings and inconveniences that we as a world and as a Church have been going through during the coronavirus pandemic fly in the face of what our liturgy is all about on this 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, which is also called Laetare Sunday. Laetare is the Latin word for "rejoice" and, believe it or not, we still look with joyful expectation to the great Solemnity of Easter. Laetare (rejoice) comes from the opening antiphon for this weekend's Mass, which instructs us: "**Rejoice**, Jerusalem, and all who love her. **Be joyful**, all who were in mourning; **exult** and be satisfied at her consoling breast (Is 66:10-11)."

Seriously, during this time of national lockdown, who feels like rejoicing? Who wants to be joyful? Who's ready to exult? Nobody, I guess, if we look at it from a merely non-religious, non-faith based perspective. But as a people of faith, as believers who turn to God at all times, both good and bad, we should all be inwardly rejoicing, be filled with joy, and be exulting and consoled knowing that the time of our salvation (Easter) draws near.

It's still not known whether we will be able to celebrate liturgically and as a family of faith the Paschal Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. That doesn't negate the fact that we are still called to ready our souls for those holy days. Easter is the greatest feast of our liturgical year because Christ's resurrection from the dead purchased for us our salvation, our redemption. And that's something to celebrate! That's something to rejoice over!

Laetare Sunday invites us to look past our current crosses and rejoice in the new life that Christ won for us by His Cross and by His glorious resurrection. Where will our crosses, including the heavy cross of this coronavirus pandemic, lead us? We don't always know. Perhaps through even more suffering. But we know how the story of Christ's Cross ends. We know how His story ends and our story will end the same way:

Suffering is conquered by joy.  
Sin is conquered by redemption.  
Darkness is conquered by light.  
Crucifixion is conquered by resurrection.  
And death is conquered by life.

*Ave, O Crux, SpesUnica:* Hail, O Cross, our Only Hope. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

Lenten Blessings,



**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR  
PARISHIONERS**

<b>March 15</b>	<b>Week 39</b>	<b>Y. to Date</b>
<b>Collection</b>	<b>\$3,144</b>	<b>\$472,407</b>
<b>Avg. Budget</b>	<b>\$13,269</b>	<b>\$504,231</b>

**Stewardship Reflections**

*“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart.” 1 Samuel 16:7*

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

**2020 Anniversary Liturgies**

We are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage in the year 2020. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

**April 19, 2020 3:00pm**  
**25 years and 5 years (All Counties)**

**May 3, 2015 3:00 pm**  
**50 years (All Counties)**

If you wish to participate in either Mass please call Anne Moore at the parish office 973-763-5454 she will need **your 1<sup>st</sup> & last names, your address, date of marriage and which liturgy you wish to attend.**

**Sponsor Certificates**

A reminder that in order to receive a sponsor certificate for baptism or confirmation you must be registered in the parish for a minimum of six months. Sponsor Certificates state that the individual is a registered member of our parish and is a Catholic in good standing.

**Please remember your parish!**

While everyone has been called to make sacrifices during the coronavirus pandemic, our parish itself has been severely affected by the cancellation of Sunday Masses and the loss of our collections. Our expenses continue, but our revenues have been severely restricted.

We are very much dependent on your generosity to sustain our parish. Please do not forget to contribute to the financial well-being of Our Lady of Sorrows. You may do so by dropping off your collection envelope or your contribution to our parish offices, between 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

You may also contribute online by going to our web page at: <https://olschurch.com/>. Go to the bottom of the page and click on "Parish Giving." There, you may make a one-time gift or enroll for weekly/monthly giving.

Thank you for your support of our parish!

**Stay connected!**

During these extraordinary times, timely information is key. Please keep up-to-date with us by joining our Facebook group. 383 of your fellow parishioners have already done so and you may as well by searching for "Our Lady of Sorrows Church: South Orange, New Jersey." In addition, send us your email address and you can be added to our weekly eblast, which will allow you to stay current on everything happening at OLS, as well as getting a first peek look at the coming Sunday's bulletin. Visit our parish website at: <https://olschurch.com/> to sign up.

**Prayer for Vocations**

*Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, may young people in our parish hear your call and follow your voice as they discern their vocations. Lead your people to heaven through the ministry of holy priests and consecrated men and woman. Jesus, we trust in you! Amen*

**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](http://www.olschurch.com). Simply click the link for "Bulletin."



**SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020**

5:30 PM Reno Luciani

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020**

8:00 AM People of the Parish  
10:00 AM Mario & Mary Inguaggiato  
11:30 AM Rev. Ocie Lacy Sr. Centennial

**MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020**

7:00 AM Monica Mrozak  
12:00 PM Carol Pascone Special Intention

**TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020**

7:00 AM Johny Ricci  
12:00 PM Filomena & John McGlinchey  
Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2020**

7:00 AM Monica Mrozak  
12:00 PM Jack Feketie 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary &  
Deceased Members of the Feketie &  
Garneau Families

**THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020**

7:00AM Raul & Ricardo McClean  
12:00 PM Mimi Hermann Special Intention

**FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020**

7:00AM Margaret Pizzillo  
12:00 PM Sarah Lear Special Intention

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020**

8:30 AM Gary Clemens  
12:00 PM Joshua Dibble

**VIGIL MASS MARCH 28, 2020**

5:30 PM People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020**

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the  
Deehan Family  
10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Lambusta  
& Abramo Families  
11:30 AM Nancy Catherine Sullivan

**In Sympathy Of**

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away here at OLS: **Vincentia N. Lewis**. 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 **Rev. Ocie Lacy Sr.** . Requested by Ocie Lacy.

**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, Stephanie Windsor, Amy Dombrowski, Mark F. Davonski, Beth Hebron, Henry Hamel, Jennifer Bober, Rosemary Muller, Catherine Maranto and Melissa O'Brien.



# 1-Day Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy

Stockbridge, Massachusetts  
Saturday, June 6, 2020

Please join us for prayer, meditation, relaxation and the message of God's Divine Mercy on a Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in beautiful Stockbridge, MA. The Shrine has been the destination of millions of pilgrims from all over the world, who have found it to be a place of rest and renewal in the beautiful natural setting of the Berkshires.

The cost for this Pilgrimage is \$35 per person. *Food is not available at the Shrine* and therefore you should plan to bring your own lunch and snacks.

## Pilgrimage Schedule

7:00 am Departure from Our Lady of Sorrows  
10:30 am Approximate arrival. Free time and your choice of visiting the Lourdes Grotto and Candle Shrine, as well as the other shrines on the property. You may also choose to privately pray the Stations of the Cross, visit the gift shop, or simply spend the time in personal prayer on the beautiful grounds of the Shrine.

12:00 pm Lunch break  
1:00 pm Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration  
1:30 pm Rosary for Life  
2:00 pm Holy Mass  
3:00 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Veneration of the Relic of St. Faustina, Blessing of religious articles

4:00 pm Departure from Shrine  
7:30 pm Approximate arrival at Our Lady of Sorrows



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## Pilgrimage Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed (\$35 per person) \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form and your payment (made payable to Our Lady of Sorrows) as soon as possible to: Our Lady of Sorrows, 217 Prospect Street, South Orange, NJ 07079.

For questions, email Fr. Brian Needles at [frbrianneedles@gmail.com](mailto:frbrianneedles@gmail.com).

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# 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Deacon John Inguaggiato OLS Golf Outing

May 18, 2020 (rain date June 1), 9:00 am Shotgun start

East Orange Golf Course,  
440 Parsonage Hill Road, Short Hills

Followed by BBQ lunch at the Elks Club,  
220 Prospect Street, South Orange

Golfers: \$100  
Hole Sponsors: \$100

To register to play or to sponsor a hole, email or call:  
Greg Clayton: [gregoryclayton9@gmail.com](mailto:gregoryclayton9@gmail.com) and 973-902-9277

