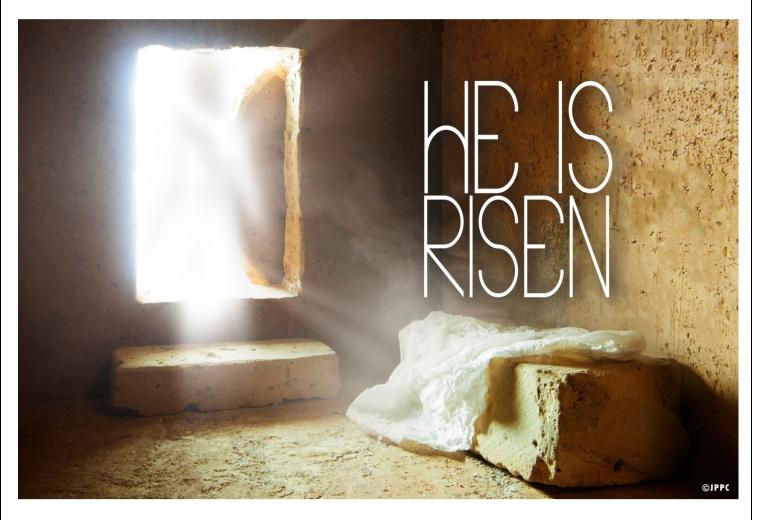
# Our Lady of Sorrows Church 217 Prospect Street, South Orange, NJ 07079 973-763-5454

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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

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> April 12, 2020 Easter Sunday

## A Message from Fr. Rich

As we celebrate Easter this year, it may be that a lot of us are exhausted at what we have had to endure the last couple of weeks due to the corona virus emergency. Some of us may be suffering the virus itself. Still others may be experiencing sorrow at the hospitalization or even death of a loved one due to the virus. Many of us may be worried about caring for our loved ones who may have contracted the virus. Still others may be frantically trying to protect their loved loves who may be more "at risk" from contacting the virus. Many of us – doctors, nurses, health care workers, first responders, nursing home workers, vital services providers – have been put under another burden of remaining free of the virus so as to be able to properly care for those who desperately need our assistance. Still more are suffering financially from the national lockdown. And we can't forget the normal everyday trials with which we must cope.

To add to those grave social and human burdens, are added the spiritual burdens of not being able to be spiritually rejuvenated. The unavailability of receiving the Sacraments which renew our soul with sanctifying grace, the participation in the Divine Life on which our soul vitally depends to remain alive and well. The gravest deprivation of which is the inability of receiving the Holy Eucharist, the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who is our Life and Resurrection.

BUT THIS DARK EXPERIENCE OF GOOD FRIDAY IS NOT THE END. GOOD FRIDAY IS NOT THE FINAL WORD.

THE FINAL WORD IS THE WORD OF GOD, THE SON OF GOD, JESUS CHRIST, OUR RESURRECTION AND OUR LIFE!

## AND THAT'S WHAT WE CELEBRATE TODAY, EASTER SUNDAY - OUR NEW LIFE!

Today we celebrate Resurrection, New Life! This is the day when life triumphs over evil. This is the day when the Lamb of God triumphs over the prince of darkness, when all of the trials and tribulations that we endure in faith and hope in Jesus Christ are sanctified and become a means to our salvation! We are Redeemed and given a New Life.

What exactly is this New Life? It is the occasion where we are once again given the opportunity to be united in love with God our Father. It is the Life that provides the remedy for our sinfulness. But it is more.

The New Life of Easter, is ultimately the opportunity for us to be more than we could ever imagine to be on our own. The New Life is God the Father's most intimate loving gift to us. It is the opportunity for each of us to share, really and truly, in the Divine life of the Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The New Life of Easter gives us the privilege to share in Christ's triumph over death, over the Evil One. It provides each of us the joy of experiencing victory over all the tribulations and trials that we will encounter in living our lives in this natural world.

So sing Hosanna to the New Life. Live joyously and resplendently in the New Life. Feed sumptuously of the New Life by making a spiritual communion until the time when we can come together again and receive the New Life on our tongue and bring Him Who is really truly present into our body and our soul. And become more than you could ever imagine to be.

#### **REJOICE! HAPPY EASTER!**

Fr. Rich

# THE SACRAFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

April 5	Week 41	Y. to Date
Collection	\$8,171	\$499,050
Avg. Budget	<b>\$13,269</b>	\$544,038

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

Congratulations to Alma Handy on winning the third 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 9 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 May 2nd. Good luck to everyone!

### **Bored?**

Don't be bored while stuck at home! Become more deeply engaged in your faith! Our Lady of Sorrows offers you free access to FORMED, an online depository of wonderful books, movies, audios, and much more. Here's how to sign up and start enjoying all those benefits:

- 1. Go to: www.formed.org
- 2. Enter our parish code: RJCHGZ (if requested)
- 3. Create a personal account with your email address and a password
- 4. Start enjoying the best Christian content all in one place!

# **FORMED**



## Parish Bulletin

A reminder that if you are ever away, you can always read our weekly parish Bulletin on our parish website at: <a href="https://www.olschurch.com">www.olschurch.com</a>. Simply click the link for "Bulletin."

## Stewardship Reflections

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." COLOSSIANS 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be readjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.

## <u>Pope Francis' prayer to Mary during the</u> Coronavirus

O Mary,

you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon Himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God.

Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen

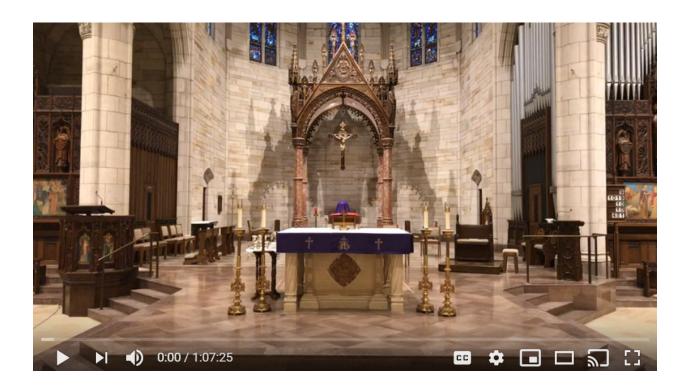


## LIVE STREAMING OF MASS and HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

Sadly, you are not able to enter our beautiful Church at this time, but thanks to our live streaming platform, you can still "attend" Mass and our Holy Week liturgies by means of our live streaming platform.

You can view the live stream on our new YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrYouG9jGDnm3Dxp2fOZYcQ?

A link to YouTube will also be available on our Facebook group page as we start the liturgy: https://www.facebook.com/groups/163360657011257/



## Schedule of our upcoming live streamed liturgies:

April 9, Holy Thursday, 10:00 am – Morning Prayer (with homily)
April 10, Good Friday, 10:00 am – Morning Prayer (with homily)
April 10, Good Friday, 12:00 Noon – Stations of the Cross
April 11, Holy Saturday, 10:00 am – Morning Prayer (with homily)
April 12, Easter Sunday Mass 10:00 am



## "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

We recognize that many of our parishioners live alone and, especially during this time of the coronavirus, are not able to leave their home. If you are one of our precious seniors, if you are homebound, if you cannot leave your home due to a compromised immune system, we ask you to let us know. We would like to call you to check in on you.

Aside from simply checking up on you, we are able to run errands for you. If you need grocery shopping done, or a prescription picked up, or any other errand run, our volunteers are ready to help you. *Our choir members are even anxious to call you and sing you a song!* And this is not just a temporary ministry necessitated by the coronavirus, but will become a new ongoing ministry of our parish.

Please send us your name and phone number by emailing us at: <a href="mailto:olscares@gmail.com">olscares@gmail.com</a>. You can also call Sr. Mary Selina at 201-345-7380 and give her the information. We look forward to serving you!



## SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2020

10:00 AM Morning Prayers

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020**

8:00 AM Emilia Franzonia 10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM Mario & Mary Inguaggiato

## MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020

7:00 AM People of the Parish

12:00 PM Alacoque White – Special Intention

## TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020

7:00 AM Josephine Patricia Wiggins

12:00 PM Ann Pinto

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020

7:00 AM Ed Sagurton

12:00 PM Living & Deceased Members of the

DePaola Family

## THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2020

7:00AM Patricia Wiggins 12:00 PM Rolando Tabia

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020

7:00AM Marie Manno

12:00 PM Valerie Feehan – Special Intention

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2020

8:30 AM Michael & James McDonnell

12:00 PM Concetta Annucci

#### VIGIL MASS APRIL 18, 2020

5:30 PM Erminio & Giuseppa Pagliuca

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020**

8:00 AM All Rosarians Living & Deceased

10:00 AM People of the Parish 11:30 AM James J. DeMeo

#### In Sympathy Of

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away here at OLS: *Henry Hamel.* 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 **Manuel Fernandes.** Requested by Joy Fernandes & Family. This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Lower Church is being offered in loving memory of **Jeffery Kingsley**. Requested by Maggie & Don Bender.

## **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



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 <a href="mailto:frbrianneedles@gmail.com">frbrianneedles@gmail.com</a>.