



Our Lady of Sorrows

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and that repentance, for
the forgiveness of sins,
would be preached

in his name

to all the nations

LUKE 24:47



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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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April 14, 2024
3rd Sunday of Easter

A Message from Fr. Brian

We're still in the liturgical season of Easter, which is 50 days long and begins on Easter Sunday and ends on Pentecost, which this year lands on May 18th. This Sunday's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday itself. Jesus appeared to the disciples and reminded them that everything that happened to Him on Good Friday and His Resurrection on Easter had been prophesied about in Scripture. This Sunday's passage ends with Jesus telling the disciples, "*You are witnesses of these things.*" Allow me to thank all of you witnesses who assisted us throughout the Paschal Triduum and in so doing helped us to witness to the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Our music program: We were so incredibly blessed by the music during our Holy Week and Easter celebrations. Thank you, especially, to the cantors and choir members who led us in singing God's praises, including our Youth and Parish choirs. We were also grateful to have with us again at the 11:30 Easter Sunday Mass the Gramercy Brass Quintet from New York City. The music was under the expert direction of Preston Dibble, our organist and Director of Music. We were also assisted by Greg Dlugos, our assistant organist. Alleluia (which means, "Praise the Lord!") for our amazing music ministry!

The OLS Youth Group: Led by our Youth Minister, Chris Kaiser, the youth of our parish helped us to truly enter into the Passion and Death of Christ. On Good Friday, they led the evening Stations of the Cross in the church, accompanied by our incredible choir. It was such a moving experience for all who were present!

Easter Egg Hunt: The children of our parish collected 1,000 eggs! Thank you to Colleen and Bill McGeehin for taking the lead in organizing the Easter Egg Hunt, as well as Margaret Johnston for all her help, including playing the role of the Easter Bunny! Thanks, as well, to Jen Noll, Colleen McDonald, and Stephanie Sonnick.

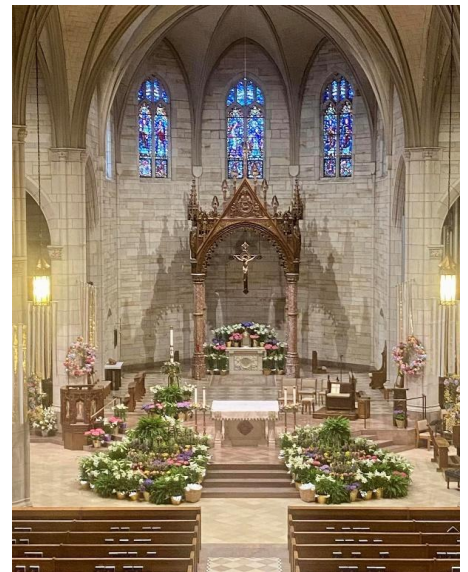
The church decorating crew: Our church is always beautiful, but this Easter is especially stunning and arresting. A huge round of applause to the crew that made it all a reality: Dottie Iantosca, Mary Loeser (and her grandchildren Finn, Ellie, and Violet), Carol DeMeo, Joyce Ashhurst, and Chris Caruso. They were assisted by our maintenance team, including Marvin Reyes, Sam Lewis, and Patrick McDonald.

Flowers to the Homebound: Thank you to Chrystal White and Len Mrozak for bringing some Easter joy to those members of our parish community who could not join us in person. They received beautiful Easter tulips!

All of you, our parishioners: Thank you for attending our Holy Week and Easter liturgies and for your generosity to our Easter collection. Our attendance at all the liturgies exceeded last year's attendance and demonstrated to me that we are a growing parish! Thank you to one and all, including Deacon Walter Wiggins, our lectors, ushers, greeters, and altar servers. We are so incredibly blessed as a parish family and that demonstrates itself every single day, but especially at Easter and Christmas.

May all the blessings of the Risen Christ be with you and your loved ones!

Continued Easter Blessings,



THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

<u>March 31st</u>	<u>Week 40</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Collection	\$7,012	\$489,329
Budgeted	\$7,460	\$476,498

<u>April 7th</u>	<u>Week 41</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Collection	\$12,303	\$505,835
Budgeted	\$12,027	\$488,524

Easter Sunday	\$35,813
	(Budgeted \$40,000)
Holy Thursday	\$2,451
Good Friday – Holy Land	\$2,720
Repairs and Maintenance	\$1,911
Easter Flowers	\$746

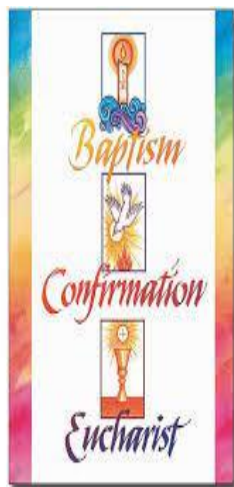
Thank you for your generosity!

Please Remember OLS

Don't have a will? You're not alone. Now is a great time to start planning and please consider including a bequest to OLS in your estate plans. Bequest funds are vital to ensuring the Parish continues to thrive and minister to our parishioners.

Does your heart desire something more?

That "something more" is the Person of Jesus Christ and a deeper share in the Divine Life. St. Augustine said, "My heart is restless until it rests in Thee, oh God." He had a major turning to God. If you desire to come into the fullness of Faith in the Catholic Church next Easter, please call Sr. Mary Selina at (973) 763-5454. If you are a Catholic but have never been Confirmed, please call and start the process in which the Holy Spirit will come to you in a powerful way as to help you live your Catholic faith more deeply.



Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Catholic Stewardship in Action

Please help OLS to reach our goal!

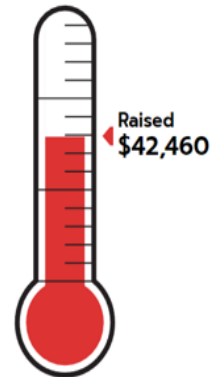
Total donors
as of 4-8-24:
91

Total # of OLS families:
2248

To make a gift:

Annual Appeal Goal

\$75,607



Welcome Home!

Two new members were brought into the fullness of our Catholic faith on Divine Mercy Sunday: James Singleton and Jorge Valencia. They were both confirmed and received their First Holy Communion. Please pray for them as they continue their journey of faith.

St. Vincent DePaul Society

The OLS St. Vincent DePaul Society seeks to find and aid those in need in our Parish, as well as the Maplewood/South Orange communities, on a confidential basis. If you know of someone in need of financial assistance, or if you would like to donate to this fund, please contact our parish office at (973) 763-5454 or email:

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Meet Our Staff

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Essex County Young Adults

Are you between the ages of 20-35, and looking to connect with other people of faith?

Join Essex County Young Adults for our next event! We are a network of area parishes committed to building up community and discipleship for young adults. **For more information, text or email Stephanie at (201) 470-2904**

olschurchministries@gmail.com



Coffee and donuts



Join us every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:00 and 11:30 Masses for Coffee, Donuts, Bagels, Youth Activities, and community. Our next gathering is this Sunday, April 14th.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE PARISH PRESENTS:

The Catholic Understanding of Suffering and Death

Speaker: Deacon Michael Giuliano, MD
Archdiocese of Newark

Saturday, April 27 at 11:30 am
Saint James the Apostle Church
45 S. Springfield Avenue, Springfield

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Dignity of Life/Dignity of Death
- ✓ Care of the dying/Help for families
- ✓ Living Wills/Healthcare Proxies
- ✓ Ordinary vs. Extraordinary care
- ✓ Hospice/Palliative Care
- ✓ Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide
- ✓ Cremation and Burial

Deacon Giuliano has been a clinical neonatologist for 40 years, serves on the faculty of Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine, and is an ordained Deacon in the Archdiocese of Newark.

Website: <https://saintjamestheapostle.org/>
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Questions? Send email to: smallgroups@saintjamesparish.org





Mass Intentions

VIGIL, SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

5:30 PM Nancy K. and David E. Moore

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Rosemary Moore

11:30 AM James J. DeMeo

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024

7:00 AM Deceased members of the Leroy Family

12:00 PM Marlene Etienne – Special Intention

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024

7:00 AM Vivienne Mompremier – Special Intention

12:00 PM Clemencia Luna

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

7:00 AM Erenbeni Maria Ezung

12:00 PM Vincent McNany

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024

7:00 AM Sister Mary Ann George

12:00 PM Michael McDonnell

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

7:00 AM Peggy Paulson

12:00 PM Alfredo Garcia – 24th Anniversary

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

8:30 AM Vincenzo Zannino

12:00 PM Vivienne Mompremier – Special Intention

VIGIL SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

5:30 PM Louis Cammisa

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

8:00 AM DePaola, Deehan and Salvante Families

10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM All Rosarians, Living and Deceased

Request a Mass

We now have an easier way for you to request Masses.

Either go here:

<https://olschurch.com/request-a-mass/>

Or scan the QR code.



In Memoriam

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

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is in loving memory of Clemencia Luna. Requested by Alma Handy.



REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember to pray for the following in your prayers: Julia Callaghan, Daniel Callaghan, Elizabeth Stuart, Marie Somers, Bill Aber, Neville Moore, George Richmond Files Jr., Megan More, Ludgarda Rosa, Stephanie Windsor, 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, Deborah Hebron, Kathleen Mullan and Kate Powis, Patricia Evanik, Michael Elliot, Judith Gordy and Alan Droppa, Grace Schwartzstein





JOIN OLS FOR A ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE **NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE DIVINE MERCY** IN STOCKBRIDGE, MA

Come spend a day of prayer and reflection with other parishioners on 375 acres of land nestled in the beautiful Berkshire hills in western Massachusetts. Don't miss this chance to learn more about Jesus' miraculous message of Divine Mercy!



SATURDAY, MAY 18TH



6:45 AM - 7:00 PM

(transportation to-and-from OLS via Charter Bus)



Daily Mass, picnic lunch, time for personal reflection, and more!



MORE INFO :
For questions/ to register please contact
Joan Pascual at Jtpascual@aol.com
or 201-259-7092.

"My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy." —Diary of Saint Faustina # 367

\$50/person
\$80/family

**PAYABLE BY
CASH OR CHECK**



PROROME



REGISTER TODAY

A Fall Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi

Join Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, South Orange NJ

This pilgrimage features five nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi, with day-trips to Orvieto and Loreto along the way. Daily Mass - the cornerstone of each day - will be complemented by a touring program that immerses the pilgrims in the incredible history and culture of the Catholic Faith and Italy itself. Highlights include an Audience with the Pope in Saint Peter's Square, the Papal Basilicas of Rome, the Catacombs, the Colosseum, the Roman Forum and the Pantheon, the Duomo of Orvieto, the Basilicas of Saint Francis and Saint Clare in Assisi and the Papal Sanctuary of the Holy House in Loreto.

Roundtrip direct airfare from New York (JFK) on Delta Airlines, and beautiful, centrally-located four star hotels have been arranged for this trip. A ProRome tour manager will accompany the group throughout the course of the pilgrimage, and private bus transportation, Catholic tour guides, all tours, tickets, daily breakfast and one additional daily meal (either lunch or dinner - see itinerary) are included in the price.

November 10-19, 2024

\$4490 per person (includes roundtrip airfare from JFK Airport)

For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/ourladyofsorrows/ or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com