Our Lady of Sorrows Church

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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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May 19, 2019 5th Sunday of Easter

A Message from Jennifer Noll, Catechetical Coordinator

My favorite gift of the year wasn't given to me on Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, or any other special occasion. It didn't come from a store and it wasn't from a beloved family member or friend. It isn't of any great monetary or artistic value, yet this gift has become precious to me since the day I received it on a random Tuesday back in April.

What is this gift that holds such a special place in my heart that it's now on prominent display in my office? It's a simple photocopied coloring sheet of a red palm cross embellished with a few additional hearts and flowers. It's not the drawing or the neatly colored picture itself that makes this piece of paper so important to me. Rather, it's the words on the page and the deeper meanings they hold that make this simple sheet so precious.

Let's start with the caption: "CCD Rocks". It almost brings tears of joy to my eyes. When I was attending CCD way back in the '80s, I did *a lot* of praying. Most of this praying took place in the back of my parent's car on the way to CCD: "Dear Lord, please turn the next light red... let me stay in this car as long as possible... let there be traffic ahead." I'd continue the litany in my head until inevitably the car rolled up to the school and I'd be forced to spend the next hour of my life in dreaded CCD.

When I first became Catechetical Coordinator, my goal was to make CCD an enjoyable and meaningful experience for all the children in our program - and to staff our classes with a team of caring individuals who were able to transmit the joy of Christ's boundless love to the students they serve. When I saw the words "CCD Rocks" for the first time, I wanted to shout, "Yes! We did it!"

Thank you to the thirty-five devoted catechists, aides, and substitute teachers on our catechetical team who not only managed to transmit their faith to the next generation, but were able to do so in ways that were, dare I say it, sometimes even fun. In today's gospel, Jesus says, "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." The love shown for both the Lord and their students by this incredible group of men and women truly demonstrates their discipleship. Thank you! CCD rocks because of all of your efforts.

And speaking of discipleship, let's go back to my favorite gift and the other words on the page: "Can I read the Gospel please?" This is, perhaps, the best question I have *ever* been asked by *anyone* - let alone a 1st grader! Here was a student so excited about what she had learned that she was asking permission to proclaim it to a cafeteria full of older kids. Success! Here was another disciple in the making thanks to the combined efforts of her family and parish.

Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you." If you too are ready to take up Christ's call to proclaim the Gospel and would like more information about how you can join our catechetical team next year, please email me at jennollols@gmail.com. After all, CCD does, indeed, rock!

THE SACRAFICIAL GIVING OF OUR **PARISHIONERS**

May 12th	Week 45	Y. to Date
Collection	\$16,580	\$580,319
Avg. Budget	\$14,039	\$635,765

Reflections on Catechism

1823 Jesus makes charity the new commandment. By loving own "to the end," he makes manifest the Father's love which receives. By loving one another, the disciples imitate the love Jesus which they themselves receive. Whence Jesus says: "As Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love." "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

A Perpetual Novena for OLS!

Beginning on Saturday, May 25th, we will begin praying a Perpetual Novena of the Miraculous Medal at the conclusion of both the 8:30 am and 12:00 Noon Masses. We will pray this short Novena every Saturday thereafter. Booklets for praying the Novena will be available in the downstairs Chapel before those Masses (please do not remove the booklets from the Chapel). In addition, Miraculous Medals will be available on the table outside the Chapel for you to take home and wear. There will also be explanations of the meaning of the Miraculous Medal outside the Chapel. Please join us in praying this very brief Novena prayer, asking for the intercession of Our Lady for your own needs and the needs of our parish.

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee!"

Come Adore the Lord

God is always with us, but so often we are not with God. If only for a few minutes, visit Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar in the chapel downstairs every Monday and Friday from 12:30 till 3:00 pm. At 3pm, the hour of Christ's total abandonment and death on the cross for us we offer Him our love by praying the powerful 10 minute long Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. Let us put our faith into action!

THINK ABOUT IT

"My House shall be called a house of Prayer for all peoples."

(Isaiah 5- 6:7)

"Religions are different roads converging upon the same point. That we take different roads, so long as we reach the same goal." (Mahatma Ghandi)

Lynette Wilson, Peace and Justice Committee

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. Simply click the link for "Bulletin."

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Would you like to acquire a greater resolution from the Sunday Gospel and Homily? The Men's Prayer Breakfast is the place to be. Join other men every Wednesday morning at 6 a.m. in the lower church. "Let your good spirit lead you to me on a level path" Rise and Shine with the Lord.

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.



Stewardship Corner

Our Food Pantry is in need of volunteers to help organize the food donations during the week and to help on Saturday mornings as needed. Contact Kate Cahill for more information: katecahill50@gmail.com

A SPECIAL GIFT FROM YOUR PARISH

Enjoy a free subscription to formed.org where you can stream some good videos, audio talks, new movies, and e-books. Formed has Opening the Word, a short video that goes along with the Sunday readings(a good way to prepare for Holy Mass) Looking to the summer you might like to read some good e-books and have some family and friends time viewing a good movie. Visit the web, formed.org Enter our parish code RJCHGZ on the home page. Create a personal account with your email and password. Start enjoying the best Catholic content all in one place!!

**Note: once you set up your own account you no longer will need the parish code.

Electronic Parish Giving

Please consider making your offerings to our parish through our "Electronic Funds Transfer". This allows parishioners to make weekly/monthly donations to the parish that will be taken directly from your bank account or credit card account once a month. Electronic Parish Giving is easy and convenient with no additional cost to you as you support your parish. It can be accessed through our parish web site (www.olschurch.com). You may still receive envelopes in the mail and if you wish you could turn them into the collection on Sunday and simply write "Parish Giving" on them. Please consider enrolling today as a way to enhance your personal stewardship to our parish. If you begin to use Electronic Giving and do not wish to receive envelopes (which will save the parish money) please contact the parish office. Please know that it may take a month or two for the envelopes to stop coming.

How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

<u>Saint Gianna Beretta Molla Pro-Life Ministry</u> News

We would like to thank everyone who came to our Mother's Day Brunch this past weekend. Thank you also to Fr. Brian and Fr. Rich for their support of our efforts to promote and advance the cause for life here in our parish.

As many may notice, our name has officially changed, in honor of the pro-life saint, Saint Gianna Molla. For more on her life, go to: https://saintgianna.org/main.htm

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, June 1, at 10:00 A.M. in the lower church. We will plan our next project for the Little Sisters of the Poor.

20/20 Postcard Campaign Update... Show your love for babies in the womb by putting a "baby feet" magnet on your car. To get a car magnet, email BabyFeetMagnet@gmail.com with your name and mailing address or call 973-497-4500.

To become part of our ministry, please contact Katharine at katharinetownsend@hotmail.com, Gina at gmargolies@msn.com, or Elena at elena.santoliquido@gmail.com. Be sure to follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/olsprolife or on Instagram google-polife.

The mission of the Saint Gianna Beretta Molla Pro-Life Ministry is to promote the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. We advocate for the unborn, elderly, people with disabilities, and those otherwise disadvantaged.

"Laws which legitimize the direct killing of innocent human beings through abortion or euthanasia are in complete opposition to the inviolable right to life proper to every individual; they thus deny the equality of everyone before the law." — Saint John Paul, II





SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019

5:30 PM Stasia Borowicz

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019

8:00 AM Rosarians Living & Deceased

10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM Mario & Mary Inguaggiato

MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019

7:00 AM Chiara Viola

12:00 PM Ruth C. Reilly 50th Anniversary

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019

7:00 AM Bridget Marie Devine

12:00 PM Julie Ramos

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2019

7:00 AM Sarah Rodes 12:00 PM Ramon Munoz

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019

7:00AM Elizabeth Giuliano Magnes 34th

Anniversary

12:00 PM Marie Manno Special Intention

FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2019

7:00AM Josephine Clemens 12:00 PM Rita M. Schaefer

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019

8:30 AM Infant Jesus of Prague

12:00 PM Birthday Mass, Immanuel Aloysios

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Pergatory

VIGIL MASS MAY 25, 2019

5:30 PM John Michael Kirk

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019

8:00 AM Cynthia Brenner 10:00 AM Margaret Higgins

11:30 AM People of the Parish



IN MEMORIAM

This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **Chiara Viola**. Requested by The Bender Family.

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.

To remain on our "Pray for the sick list" please call the office 973-763-5454. We are trying to update our list.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember to pray for the following in your prayers: Julia Callaghan, Gloria Renner, Jerome Pallo, Nico Cipriano, Rose Merritt, Sonia McIntyre, Craig McLean, Austin Dukes, Isabella Vacchiano, Patricia Be, Kathleen Fontenello, Kathleen Ciambruschini, Angie Sena, Fred Mesot, Diane Silver, Jesse House, Kathleen Lorenzo, Joan O'Brien, Amy Dombrowski, Olivia Frances Cady, Brenda Johnston, Claudette Englesk, Jeffrey Pierre, Teresa Mckilop, Sal Maisano, Cooper Owens, Dolores McNany, Carmela Crooks, John DiEsso, Lewis Berkenstock, Ellen Warshaw, Mark Davonski, Angelina Ciambruschini, Margaret Elizabeth Evans, Nicholas Ciambruschini, Donna Moghrabi, Doreen Carmiche, Rosetta Karas, Paul R. Ciambruschini, Josh Papp, Mary Lou Perrini, Jessica Darling, Roberta Mariam Kelly, Kristen Buttros, Jude Greenleaf, Elena Baiz Sanchez, Robert Hines, Margaret Farrell, Jeanine Panzone, John Sabbak, Michael D. Greenleaf, Sofia Vallejos, Beth Hebron, David Dorcy, Linda Read, Ronald Tylor, Jim O'Connor, Angelina Zurruro, Daniel Callaghan, Frank Erickson, Michael Maffei, Allison Wessel, Rev. Paul Power, Mary Ann Cappaze, Nick Elliot, Brian Hartnett, Owen McNany, Kevin Chang, Peggy O'Reilly, Elizabeth Stuart, Jill Vacciano, Marie Somers, Michael Davis, Bill Aber, Neville Moore, Jerry McElroy, Jane O'Donoghue, George Richmond Files Jr., Megan More, Marie Manno, Melanie

Zappo, Ludgarda Rosa, Dale Marshall, and Eileen

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PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Function</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
<u>Sun 5/19</u>	RCIA	9:00 am	Seton
	First Eucharist	11:30 am	Upper church
	Youth Group	7:30 pm	St. Joseph Hall
Mon 5/20	Finance Council	7:30 pm	Kateri
Wed 5/22	Holy Hour	7:00 pm	Upper Church
	NA	7:00 pm	Cafeteria
	Piedmont Choral	7:30 pm	Chapel
	Youth Group Leaders	7:30 pm	Youth Room
Thurs 5/23	Following Christ	6:45 pm	St. Joseph Hall
	Parish Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm	Upper Church
Sat 5/25	AA	1:00 pm	St. Joseph Hall
Sun 5/26	RCIA	9:00 am	Seton
	Youth Group	7:30 pm	St. Joseph Hall



The Parish Staff

Rev. Brian X. Needles, Administrator
Rev. Richard Pfannenstiel, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Peter Okafor, Priest in Residence
Deacon John M. Inguaggiato
Deacon John Baltus
Deacon Walter Wiggins
Sr. Mary Selina McHugh, S.C.C., Pastoral Associate
Judy Foley, Principal
Jennifer Noll, Catechetical Coordinator
Christopher Kaiser, Youth Minister
Glenn E. Devitt, Music Director/Organist
Karlene Campbell, Nursery Director
Charles Noun, Business Manager

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