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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 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm or by appointment

Baptism: Contact Parish Office after the birth of your child to begin Baptismal preparation program

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May 30, 2021
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

A Message from Fr. Brian

Richard Cardinal Cushing, the former Archbishop of Boston who died in 1970, told the story of an occasion when he was administering last rites to a man who had collapsed in a general store. Following his usual custom, the Cardinal knelt by the man and asked him, "Do you believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit?" The Cardinal said the man roused a little bit, opened an eye, looked at him and said, "Here I am, dying, and you ask me a riddle?"

Call it a riddle, call it a mystery. There are some things about life and about our Christian faith that we do not understand fully, but that doesn't mean that they don't make sense or aren't logical. This weekend, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The Holy Trinity is, in many ways, a mystery. Because it is, it has given rise to many controversies in the Church. The first few centuries of the Church were filled with controversies and careful definitions regarding the one nature of God, the three Persons of the Trinity, and their relationship with each other. These controversies were given greater clarity by the introduction of the Apostles Creed (2nd century) and the Nicene Creed (4th century), which we profess every Sunday.

Some people continue to object that the teaching about the Holy Trinity is a logical contradiction. But it's not. If the Church were to say, "God is Three Persons - but really only one Person," or "There are three Gods - but really only One God," those would be contradictory statements. But our faith teaches us that there are Three *Persons* in one *God*, meaning that the Three Persons share one and the same Divine Nature.

The words *person* and *nature* describe two different things. *Person* denotes *who* someone is, while *nature* denotes *what* one is. So if we ask "Who is God?", the answer is "God is Three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit." If we ask "What is God?" the answer is "God is One - a Single Divine Nature." If we put these two truths together we find that God is Three Divine Persons who share one Divine Nature.

While nowhere in Scripture do we read the phrase "Holy Trinity" or "Blessed Trinity," that doesn't mean that Scripture is silent about the Triune nature of God. There are many passages that give clear evidence that God is one, in a Trinity. Here are just a few:

- "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!" (Deut. 6:4)
- "I am the LORD, and there is no other; Besides Me there is no God." (Isa. 45:5)
- "There is no God but one." (1Cor. 8:4)
- "And after being baptized, Jesus went up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon Him, and behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.'" (Matt. 3:16-17)
- "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." (Matt. 28:19)
- Jesus said: "I and the Father are one." (John 10:30)
- "He who has seen Me has seen the Father." (John 14:9)
- "He who beholds Me beholds the One who sent Me." (John 12:45)

So, what's the relevance for you and me? This teaching about the Trinity has major implications for us. We are all created in the image and likeness of the Triune God. This should completely influence how we look at ourselves and how we treat one another. Let's be sure to contemplate – not just on Trinity Sunday, but always – how we and everyone around us is created as an image of the Blessed Trinity.

Trinity Blessings,



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<u>May 23rd</u>	<u>Week 47</u>	<u>Y. to Date</u>
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Food Pantry \$1,023

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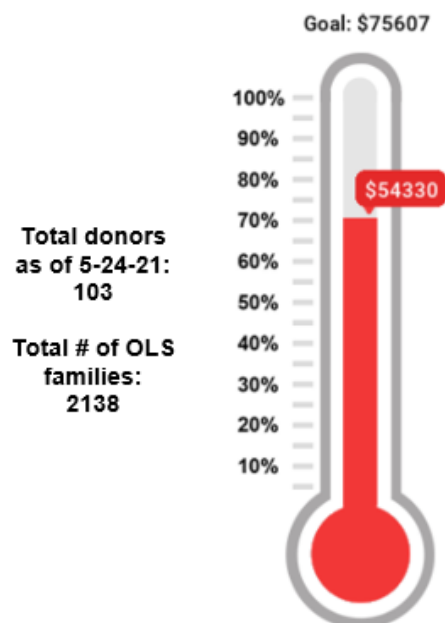


*Congratulations to Our Lady of Sorrows
2021 Confirmation Candidates*

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<i>Izabela Maria Baseman</i>	<i>Gabriel Joseph Homer</i>
<i>Callan Christopher Bauer</i>	<i>Conor Francis Kagel</i>
<i>Frances Clare Borello</i>	<i>Sean Michael Kagel</i>
<i>Evelyn Rosalia Calabrese</i>	<i>Meeghan Therese Lonieski</i>
<i>Margaret Catherine Callahan</i>	<i>Maria Margaret Maddi</i>
<i>Brendan John Dawkins</i>	<i>Malachy Thomas Meyer</i>
<i>Fiona Delfine Donohue</i>	<i>Derek John Mingmongkol</i>
<i>Jared Michael Edwards</i>	<i>Declan John O'Connell</i>
<i>Owen David Friedman</i>	<i>Katherine Margaret O'Mara</i>
<i>Joseph Thomas Geoghian</i>	<i>Sophia Elizabeth Randazza</i>
<i>Charles Luigi Giannone</i>	<i>Avery Veronica Walsh</i>
<i>Mia Lucia Hankey</i>	<i>William Joseph Walsman</i>
<i>Owen Sebastian Heney</i>	<i>Ian Sebastian Wissel</i>
<i>Victoria Joan Hollingsworth</i>	

**Please note that Monday, May 31st is
Memorial Day and we will have only one
Mass, at 9:00 am.**

Sharing God's Blessing Annual Appeal



To make a gift:

<https://support.rcan.org/a/donate>

Help Needed with Altar Linens!

We are in need of a few people who can help us with the laundering and ironing of our altar linens (the purificators and corporals). Several people who currently help us with this have already or will soon be moving away. It's a great honor to assist in this task, as the linens are used in the celebration of Holy Mass. If you are able to assist with this task, please email: ana.santoliquido@gmail.com. Thank you!

Cardinal Tobin to celebrate 11:30 Mass on Sunday, June 6th!

Please join us for the 11:30 Mass next Sunday as we welcome Cardinal Joseph Tobin, Archbishop of Newark, to OLS! Cardinal Tobin will be the celebrant and homilist for the Mass and it would be wonderful for us to have a full church to welcome him.

Please also remember Cardinal Tobin in your prayers. He is mourning the recent death of his mother, Marie Terese. May God welcome her into His Kingdom and may the Lord's comfort and consolation be upon Cardinal Tobin and his family.



Are **you** or **someone you know** being called to the fullness of the Catholic faith? Do **you** or **someone else** need to confirm your Baptismal call by receiving Confirmation? Please do not hesitate to call the parish office and ask for **Sister Mary Selina**. Please do not hesitate to say YES to the Lord's invitation.

From the Blood Drive Committee:

Though coronavirus may be preventing us from conducting our scheduled June 2020 blood drive, please don't let it prevent you from considering the needs of others. Blood product reserves are always depleted during the summer months and the current pandemic has only compounded the problem. Yet, consider the cancer patient who isn't afforded the luxury of taking time off from chemotherapy during this lockdown; they are among many who so desperately rely on your selfless donations.

May we encourage you to reach out to Vitalant blood services to **schedule** a donation. They have fixed donation sites in West Orange, Parsippany, Lincoln Park and Paramus, and can be contacted via vitalant.org or by phoning 201-251-3703.

All donors and staff will have their temperatures taken before being allowed to enter the blood drawing site

Sponsor Certificates A reminder:

To receive a Sponsor Certificate for Baptism or Confirmation, you must be registered in the parish for a minimum of six months. Sponsor Certificates indicate that **the individual is a registered member of our parish and is a practicing Catholic and have received Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.**

Update from the OLS Food Pantry

The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a tremendous toll on local families. Prior to March, we served 100-125 families each week. For the past 2 months, we have provided bags of groceries to 400-450 families on our Saturday distribution dates.

Please help us keep our shelves stocked with basic grocery items including boxed milk (1qt, all types), hot/cold cereal (low sugar), pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, beans (can/dry), canned tuna & chicken, rice (1lb bags, all types), canned fruit and vegetables.

Food donations can be dropped off in the front vestibule of the church Monday-Friday 7am-3pm or Saturday, 8:30am-3:00 pm and at the front door of the rectory 3-5pm Monday-Saturday. Monetary donations are also accepted by check (payable to 'OLS Food Pantry' and mailed to the church at 217 Prospect Street) or online at

<https://olschurch.com/parish-giving/>

Questions? Email olspantry@gmail.com or call 973-370-0458.

Meet Our Staff

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Lectio Divina Workshop

Saturday, June 5, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Do you often feel lost or confused when reading the Bible?

Does reading the Bible seem dry to you?

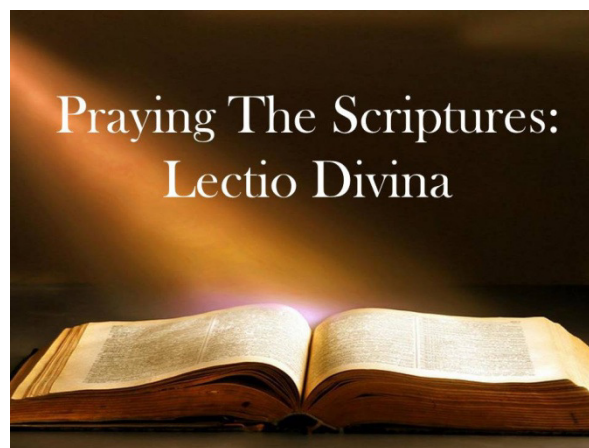
Do you feel intimidated when reading Sacred Scripture?

Do you want to learn how to prayerfully and profitably read the Bible?

If you answer “yes” to any of these questions, then this Workshop is for you!

This Workshop will show you how to read Scripture in a prayerful and spiritually profitable way. It will teach you how to speak to God and listen to Him when reading Scripture. It will show you how the Bible is a love story and that you are a central character in that story.

The Workshop will happen in 2 stages: We'll first learn about the ancient practice of “Lectio Divina,” which is translated as “divine reading.” It refers specifically to a very easy-to-learn and accessible 4-step approach to Scripture reading practiced by monks since the early Church. After a short break, we'll then break into small groups and engage in an actual session of Lectio Divina.



When: Saturday, June 5, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Where: Our Lady of Sorrows Church

What to Bring: Your Bible, a pen, note paper, and an open heart!

RSVP: Fr. Brian Needles – frbrianneedles@gmail.com

“Diligently practice prayer and Lectio Divina. When you pray, you speak with God; when you read, God speaks to you.”- St. Cyprian



STATEMENT OF THE NEW JERSEY BISHOPS
Reinstating the General Obligation to Attend Mass

At this time, due to the observance of public safety protocols and the increase in the availability of vaccines, we have begun a return to some sense of normalcy in various sectors of our society.

Therefore, we the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey, are lifting the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Days Mass obligation beginning on Saturday, June 5, 2021, and Sunday, June 6, 2021, Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. We welcome the Christian faithful to return to the regular participation in the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith (cf. Code of Canon Law canon 1247 and Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2180).

This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have reason to believe that they were recently exposed to the coronavirus or another serious or contagious illness; those who are confined to their home, a hospital, or nursing facility; or those with serious underlying health conditions. One should consult the local pastor if questions arise about the obligation to attend Mass (canon 87).

Finally, safety protocols (such as wearing masks, social distancing, etc.) and liturgical directives (communion in the hand, communion under one species, etc.) in each New Jersey Diocese remains in place until modified or revoked by the respective Diocesan Bishop.

Given on May 20, 2021, the memorial of St. Bernardine of Siena.

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.
Archbishop, Archdiocese of Newark

Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.
Bishop, Diocese of Trenton

Most Reverend Dennis J. Sullivan
Bishop, Diocese of Camden

Most Reverend Kevin J. Sweeney
Bishop, Diocese of Paterson

Most Reverend James F. Checchio
Bishop, Diocese of Metuchen

Most Reverend Kurt Burnette
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*Bishop, Our Lady of Deliverance Syriac
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2021 Mass Book

The 2021 Mass book is now open. You may send in your Mass intention requests by mail. The donation for Masses is \$10 for each one. Please use the form below to submit requests by mail or place this form in the Sunday collection basket. When we receive your request, we will call you to let you know if the date and time you requested is unavailable. If you require a Mass card, we will mail it to you (please check the box below if you wish to have a Mass card).

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Name of the deceased or Special Intention (please specify): _____

Is a Mass card required? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date (weekday) _____ ☐ 7:00 am ☐ 12:00 Noon

Date (Saturday) _____ ☐ 8:30 am ☐ 12:00 Noon

Date (Saturday Vigil/Sunday) _____ ☐ 5:30 pm ☐ 8:00 am
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Amount enclosed: \$_____ (make check payable to Our Lady of Sorrows)



VIGIL SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021

5:30 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021

8:00 AM Ella Rodriguez – Special Intention
 10:00 AM JoAnn Hollingsworth
 11:30 AM Robert E. Antinozzi – Special Intention

MONDAY, MAY 31, 2021

9:00 AM For All of our Deceased Service Men and Women

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021

7:00AM Christopher Bertrand – Special Intention
 12:00 PM Susan Santoliquido – 14th Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021

7:00 AM Ebony Brooks
 12:00 PM Virginia Mary Schaefer

THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021

7:00AM Esther & John Coakley
 12:00 PM Robert T. Greydanus

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2021

7:00 AM William Holmok
 12:00 PM Enrique Bolivar - 29th Anniversary

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021

8:30 AM Grace DiMauro – 1st Anniversary
 12:00 PM Francis R. DePaolo

VIGIL MASS JUNE 5, 2021

5:30 PM Jeanne Laracy

SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021

8:00 AM Elizabeth Lynch
 10:00 AM The Deceased Members of the Lambusta&Abramo Families
 11:30 AM People of the Parish

In Sympathy

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away here at OLS: **Jane Kinney, Daniel O'Shaughnessy, and Anthony J. Cappaze**. We pray for the repose of their souls and also for those left behind during this time.

In Memoriam

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

This Week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **Grace DiMauro**. Requested by Maria Wilms.

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, Jennifer Bober, Melissa O'Brien, Rita Arena, John Colaku, Pat Bendrot, Kate Mullin, Rosemary Muller, Norma Gonzalez, Charles Gianni, Agnes Marshall and Bekim Colaku.



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