



Our Lady of Sorrows

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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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July 30, 2023

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

King Solomon lived about 1,000 years before the birth of Christ. He was the son of King David and he reigned for 40 years. Aside from building the first Temple in Jerusalem, King Solomon also wrote the Book of Proverbs, the Song of Songs, and Ecclesiastes. He was a young man when he assumed his reign and he recognized that his youth might have some disadvantages when it came to exercising his kingship over Israel. In this Sunday's first reading, he says to God, *"O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act."* But God was pleased with Solomon's wisdom and God blessed him in very significant ways.

Solomon was in his 20s or 30s when he became king. As a young man, he continually turned to God and asked that God direct his life. 3,000 years later, and we pray that all of today's 20- and 30-year-olds would have the wisdom of Solomon and continually turn to God for their needs and for God's lordship over their lives. Sadly, that is not always – or often – the case. But, here at OLS and in our surrounding parishes, a group of young adults in their 20s and 30s are looking to God to answer their questions, to guide the lives, and to respond to their deepest yearnings. This age group has been overlooked far too long in the life and ministry of the Church. This is why is it so exciting that OLS is one of a half dozen parishes in our area of Essex County cosponsoring a new and vitally important ministry directed at Young Adults (those in their 20s and 30s, whether married or single).

The first event for the Young Adult group was held at OLS on June 17th. We were expecting about 50 attendees, but more than 150 showed up! It was an incredible blessing and it was a confirmation that there are many people in our area who, like King Solomon, recognize their dependence upon God and who desire a deeper relationship with God.

While our next event is this Saturday and many of you will have read this column only after the event has already taken place, I want to let you know that OLS has committed to and is invested in trying to help today's young adults encounter God in real and authentic ways, in the company of their peers. This Saturday's event was (is) a BBQ and included great food, games, fire pits, and – of course – prayer. New friendship are formed at these gatherings and they are an opportunity for young adults to discover that they are not alone in their desire to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

St. Paul tells us in this Sunday's 2nd reading that, *"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."* Please help us to spread the word about our new Young Adult ministry so that those engaged in this endeavor can experience for themselves the truth that by living according to God's purposes and designs, they will come to know and experience God's infinite goodness.

Summer Blessings,

Fr. Brian

Catholic Young Adult

SUMMER Soirée

Our next co-sponsored event of the summer
in Essex County, open to all in their 20's and 30's

DRINKS & GRILLED FOODS
RAFFLE - FIRE PITS - GAMES: giant Jenga,
cornhole & more!

Bring a dish or drink to share! For the fire pits, bring a chair!

SATURDAY, JULY 29TH
7:30PM - 10PM

Hosted by:
Our Lady of Sorrows
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THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

July 23rd	Week 4	Y. to Date
Collection	\$11,857	\$44,759
Budgeted	\$12,027	\$48,106
Food Pantry \$591		
Repairs \$266		
Candles \$257		
Retired Priests Fund \$2,284		

Thank you for your generosity!

Please Remember OLS

Leaving a gift in your will is a very personal decision and you should look after your loved ones first. Once this provision is made, we ask that you consider including a bequest to the Parish. A gift in your will to OLS is a practical and powerful way to ensure the continued success of the Parish.

OLS Hospitality Team Needs You!

Do you enjoy our OLS parish gatherings? Do you want to meet other parishioners and help welcome others to our favorite parish events, such as the Fall Parish Picnic, our St. Patrick's Day Party, our monthly coffee, bagels and donut gatherings, and other parish events?

If so, you're invited to become a part of our Hospitality Team. We need your help to set up and greet at our parish events to make OLS feel like home to everyone! This ministry is a great fit for anyone looking to get involved in the parish and school community, especially newcomers. We look forward to hearing from you!

If you are interested in being a part of our Hospitality Team, please email:

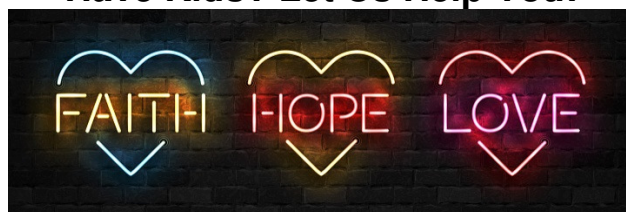
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Be sure to follow Our Lady of Sorrows Parish on Facebook! Simply search for "Our Lady of Sorrows Church: South Orange, New Jersey"

Have Kids? Let Us Help You!



While parents are the primary educators in matters of the faith, you don't have to do it all alone. Let your parish help you! The OLS CCD program is here to help your child develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. But before we can assist your family, we need to know who you are! If your child will not be attending a Catholic school this fall, please be sure to visit the parish website and click on the "Religious Education" tab to register him or her for CCD. While most children begin formal religious education instruction in first grade, it is NEVER too late to begin to learn about the Lord. Older first-time CCD students are always welcome and financial assistance is available to all those in need of extra support.

Our in-person Monday and Tuesday classes begin the third week in September and run through the first week in May. Please reach out to Jen Noll at jennollols@gmail.com for more information about how to take the next important step in forming your child's faith.

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.**

Update from the OLS Food Pantry

The OLS Food Pantry is very busy and demand for our services remain high. We are serving nearly 200-250 families with each pantry distribution. For the calendar year 2022, this amounts to 8,341 bags of groceries provided to 6,773 families made up of 25,066 individuals. In addition to the staple items, each family receives fresh produce and milk with each distribution. This would not be possible without the generosity of Our Lady of Sorrows church, its parishioners and the surrounding community. Thank you.

Please continue to help us keep our shelves stocked with basic grocery items including hot/cold cereal (low sugar), pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, beans (can/dry), canned tuna/chicken and rice. Food donations can be dropped off in the lower church Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:00 pm inside the 4th Street entrance (buzz to be let in) or in the church vestibule Saturday/Sunday morning. 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.



As you travel and find rest for yourself, do not forget your Sunday Mass obligation. Go to <https://masstimes.org/> to find a Church near your vacation spot where you can attend Mass. Remember, God never takes a vacation from us. Let's not take one from Him!

And please remember to support OLS during the summer months!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday and Friday, from 12:30pm - 3:00pm, concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please consider spending some quiet time in prayer before Our Lord in the exposed Eucharist. Honestly, can you think of any better way to use a few minutes of your Monday and Friday afternoons than with Our Lord in the peaceful quiet of our beautiful church?



Meet Our Staff

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VIGIL, SATURDAY JULY 29, 2023

5:30 PM The Silano Family

SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Cathy Craig

11:30 AM June Lynch

MONDAY, JULY 31, 2023

7:00 AM Beatriz Tecfon

12:00 PM Venante Louis

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023

7:00 AM Jackie Viscido - 1st Anniversary

12:00 PM Fr. Andrew Lee – Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023

7:00 AM Stephanie Szperlak – Special Intention

12:00 PM Jean Caruso

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023

7:00 AM Katherine Soriano

12:00 PM People of the Parish

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2023

7:00 AM Russell Pace

12:00 PM Jack Vervact – Special Intention

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023

8:30 AM Marian Divil

12:00 PM Winnie Kennedy

VIGIL SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023

5:30 PM Walter Wiggins

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Ernesto Deza

11:30 AM Nancy D'Amico

In Memoriam

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

The Sanctuary Candle in the Upper Church is in loving memory of ***Russell Pace***. Requested by Patricia Grana.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Donations to support our wonderful Music Ministry are gratefully accepted. Donations are applied toward the purchase of printed choral music and for instrumentalists for holiday liturgies, concerts and other special occasions.

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, Jane O'Donoghue, 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, Anne O'Brien, Deborah Hebron, Kathleen Mullan and Kate Powis.



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Sponsored By:
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9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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