

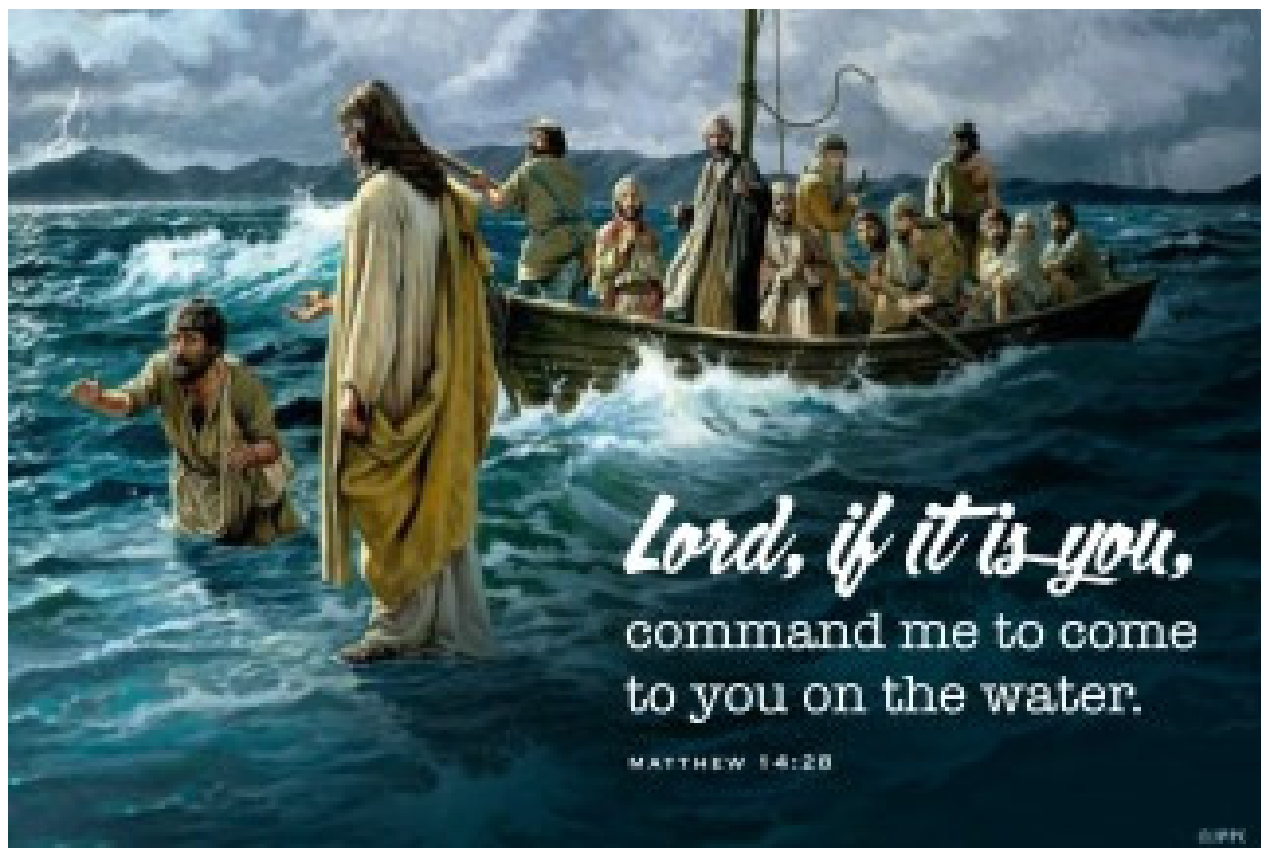


Our Lady of Sorrows

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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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August 13, 2023

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Andrew

The story of Jesus walking on the water is a story I love, as it shows the human side of the apostles. Those men on the boat, including the tough fishermen, were so terrified thinking that Jesus was a ghost. I can picture them screaming off their lungs out of fear! What would have Jesus thought as He was approaching the boat? This is what I think. He could have thought in His heart with a gentle smile,

“My apostles... men full of fear, and how weak they are without their Master! But that is why I called them because, with my help, they will learn to overcome their fear and eventually give up their lives for my name. In their transformation, people will come to learn that God is so great He can do great things using earthen vessels like them. Now, let me go and tell them it is me, their Lord.”

One detail I want to point out in this Sunday’s Gospel is that “Jesus made the disciples get into a boat.” They were all in “a boat” not on several “boats.” They felt the fear together, and they felt relieved together when they realized it was the Lord. They were together on that same boat when the boat was being tossed around by the waves in the strong wind, and together, they saw Jesus making Peter walk on the water and saw how Jesus stretched out his hand and lifted Peter above the water. All those things they witnessed together on the same boat made them proclaim, **“Truly, you are the Son of God.”**

It is important to be in the same boat that Christ invites us to get into. Otherwise, we would be alone when the wave of the storm tries to swallow us down into the water. Isn’t that why a sailing ship is one of the images of our Church founded by Christ Himself? That ship, just like Noah’s ark, has both clean and unclean (saints & sinners) on board, leading both to the shore of heaven after sailing through the rough waves of persecution and unbelief.

There are a few ways of being in the same boat with our brothers and sisters in Christ. One way is through the life of sacraments, which includes frequent communion, confessions, and firm prayer life. Another way is actively being a part of the parish’s community life - enjoying the companionship of other parishioners, with whom we are called to reach the shore of heaven.

On Sunday, September 10th, after the last Sunday mass, we are having our Parish picnic. Come to mass and join us for the picnic! We had over two hundred people come last year, sharing a good memory. Coming to mass on Sunday and joining our brothers and sisters to have a great time together will be a great opportunity to remember the beauty of being on a boat called Our Lady of Sorrows parish. Sharing laughter and joy with our brothers and sisters will allow us to see how good our God is. So please consider registering and coming! Perhaps, after having a wonderful time at the picnic, together, we will all get to tell God **“Truly, you are our Father!”**

Blessings,
Fr. Andrew

**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING
OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

August 6th	Week 6	Y. to Date
Collection	\$13,552	\$69,915
Budgeted	\$12,027	\$72,160
	Candles \$321	

Thank you for your generosity!

We are hosting 2 mandatory programs for our adult volunteers in September.

These Programs are mandatory for all adult volunteers at Our Lady of Sorrows. If you are new to our parish or school you must attend Protecting God's Children for Adults. If you have attended Protecting God's Children 5 years ago you must attend the Refresher – Keeping the promise Alive.

Please go to Virtus .Org to sign up for one of the sessions. If you are not sure if you have attended or need any help, please call Anne Moore on 973-763-5454.

Protecting God's Children® for Adults

Protecting God's Children® for Adults is training conducted by VIRTUS® certified facilitators on the prevention of child sexual abuse. The training makes participants aware of the signs of child sexual abuse, the methods and means by which offenders commit abuse, and five easy steps one can use to prevent child sexual abuse. The facilitators incorporate policies and procedures into the training defining child sexual abuse, addressing the reporting of child sexual abuse, the screening and selection of employees and volunteers, and victim advocacy.

**Saturday, September 30, 2023 9:00am – 12:00pm
You must be on time once the session starts you will not be allowed to join.**

Keeping the Promise Alive™ Refresher Program

Keeping the Promise Alive is a refresher program that provides ongoing awareness for the prevention of child sexual abuse. The material covered in Keeping the Promise Alive is designed to identify and reinforce the lessons of the original Protecting God's Children® for Adults program. For example, some of the more challenging aspects of the sessions are clarified to strengthen the participants' ability to recognize risky behavior in their environments and take action to intervene in potentially threatening situations.

**Saturday, September 30, 2023 1:00pm – 3:00pm
You must be on time once the session starts you will not be allowed to join.**

Please Remember OLS

Thank you for considering OLS in your will. A bequest to the Parish makes a lasting positive change. It is a powerful reflection of the values and principles you treasure. It enables you to create a legacy of love and care for those who most need assistance and it will continue your life's aims beyond your own lifetime.

OLS Choirs welcome new singers!

As summer relaxation draws into Fall plans, our music ministry at OLS is making preparations for a new season and new voices are needed and welcomed in all of our choirs!

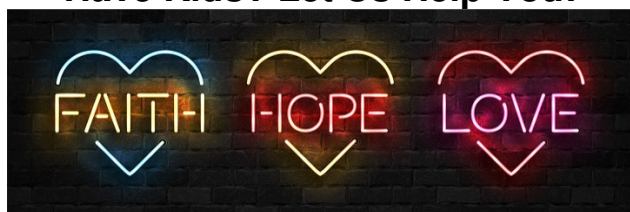
Our **St. Cecilia Singers (grades 3-8)** has a new day and time for rehearsals: Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30. This new time is designed to make it more accommodating to families attending our OLS School, while still making it possible for our public school families and those in other private schools as well. The children will rehearse weekly and not only become more familiar with our Catholic faith and the liturgy of the Church but also learn how to read music through singing and handbell playing. New children are needed to keep our children's choir alive and thriving!

Our **Youth Choir (grades 9-12)** will now be entering its 3rd season and we are excited to also welcome new teens. They rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 6:45-7:30. Both the St. Cecilia Singers and Youth Choir sing on rotating weeks at the 10:00 am Sunday Mass.

Finally our **Parish Choir** welcomes adults of all ages and experience levels to sing a wide range of choral music in support of our 11:30 am Sunday Mass. This ensemble rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7:30PM. New voices are welcomed but especially men's voices are needed in our Parish Choir.

For more information about any choir or to sign up, please contact Preston Dibble at the parish office: olsmusician@gmail.com

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.

[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. What the world, our nation, our Church, and our families need now more than ever is time spent with Jesus in quiet prayer. 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?

Please sign up for Our Lady of Sorrows Digital newsletter today! Go to our website main page under news and events.
<http://www.olschurch.com>

[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.**

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VIGIL, SATURDAY AUGUST 12, 2023

5:30 PM Brian Beckett

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the DePaola,
Deehan and Salvante Families
10:00 AM People of the Parish
11:30 AM George Evans

MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023

7:00 AM Rev. Brendan Quinn
12:00 PM Fr. Andrew Lee Special Intention

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023

7:00 AM Danuta Kozlowski and Family
Special Intention
12:00 PM William J. Bowling
7:00 PM Vincent McNany

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2023

7:00 AM People of the Parish
12:00 PM Danuta and Her Grand Kids and
Great Grand Kids Special Intention

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023

7:00 AM Elizabeth Bryce
12:00 PM Kay Swenson Cabe

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023

7:00 AM Vincent McNany
12:00 PM Thomas Harnett

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

8:30 AM Patricia Schilling
12:00 PM People of the Parish

VIGIL SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

5:30 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the DePaola,
Deehan and Salvante Family
10:00 AM Julie Edmunds
11:30 AM Akili Lynn Gordon

In Memoriam

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

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, Kate Powis and Kevin Golding.



Please join us for our Parish and School Picnic!



Sunday
September 10

12:30-
5pm

\$10 per person
\$25 for couples/
families



Please RSVP

Email Michelle Dixon
medixon8@gmail.com



Games and activities for children. All food
(including appetizers, sides and desserts will be provided by the Parish.
We will also supply water, soda and coffee. BYOB



***We are so Happy to Invite You To
Our Lady of Sorrows Healing Mass
September 23, 2023 – 12:00pm***

*Our Lady of Sorrows Church
217 Prospect St.
South Orange, N.J. 07079
973-763-5454*

This sacrament is administered by a priest who lays his hands on the head of the sick person. He then anoints the sick person on the forehead and palms of the hands with the oil of the sick, while praying: "through this holy anointing may the Lord in His love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord Who frees you from your sin save you and raise you up."

Who can receive this Sacrament?

- Anyone suffering any kind of mental, physical, spiritual or emotional illness
- Facing serious surgery
- Advanced age
- Anyone in danger of death

****** There will be a light lunch served this year******

Sign-up Deadline: September 15th

(We would be grateful if you could RSVP by the 15th. This way we can ensure that enough food is ordered)

Names of those attending:

Name and address of contact person: _____

Phone # of contact person: _____

Number staying for a light lunch []

Please make sure to indicate if you will be staying for lunch. **Only those who indicate that they will be staying for lunch will receive lunch.**

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Please note: The area near the baptismal font will be set aside for those who need to have Holy Communion brought to them. If anyone has a concern just let us know and we will work out a way to help you. If you have any questions, please contact Sr. Mary Selena at 973-763-5454.

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