



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 21, 2022

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

The other day I was driving down the Garden State Parkway and 3 lanes of traffic suddenly converged into just 1 lane as a result of a car accident. Thankfully, as I passed by the accident it only appeared to be a fender bender. Nonetheless, traffic came to a crawl as the 3 lanes of traffic tried to merge into just 1 lane. As you know, it's called a bottleneck.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus also speaks about a possible bottleneck. In response to the question of "*Lord, will only a few people be saved?*", Jesus replies, "*Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, many will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.*"

Throughout His earthly life, Jesus continually affirmed that God wants all persons to enjoy eternal life with Him, that is, to enter through the gate, but Jesus also stressed the need for constant fidelity and vigilance throughout our lives. As Catholics, we do not believe that we can somehow "earn" our way into Heaven by good works (this is referred to as the Pelagian heresy). We believe that Christ's sacrifice on the Cross purchased our salvation and that there is nothing that we can do to earn that salvation – it is a gift of pure love. That said, we also believe that we must allow God to work in our lives through His grace, a grace that is reflected in our actions. In other words, we must cooperate with God's grace, which He continually offers us.

The paradox is this: the door – the gate – is narrow, but it's wide enough for all who truly want to enter. Nobody has to be excluded. The door is big enough for all of us, but as Jesus says we must *strive* to enter through it. The "narrow gate" that Jesus speaks of concerns our everyday living and our everyday response to God's loving invitation to constantly walk in the way of the Lord. If we do that, even imperfectly, then He will lead us down through the narrow gate to the eternal life of Heaven. It will be like driving down the Garden State Parkway without another car in site!

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Our parish picnic is quickly approaching! On September 11th, pray for good weather as we gather together as a parish and school community for what absolutely promises to be a fantastic day of food, fun, and games. And I'm guessing that Fr. Rich will entertain us with a few of his Elvis and Sinatra songs! Last year, we had our largest attendances ever: more than 225 people! See the flyer in today's bulletin and RSVP as quickly as possible. We need to get a good idea of numbers as we make our food order and so the sooner you reserve, the easier it is for us. To RSVP, email Michelle Dixon: medixon8@gmail.com.

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At the picnic, we'll draw the tickets for the winners of our 50-50 Raffle. Honestly, sales haven't been as great as past year, but there's still plenty of time to take a chance and you can do so very easily by visiting our website: <https://olschurch.com/>. You can also fill out the flyer in this bulletin and return it to our office or drop it in the Sunday collection basket. We will mail your tickets to you. This is the only major fundraiser we will do this year and to support OLS in this way also gives you a chance to win a nice jackpot! And the odds of winning are better than the Mega Millions!

Summer Blessings,



Please join us for our Parish and School Picnic!



**Sunday
September 11**

12:30-
5pm

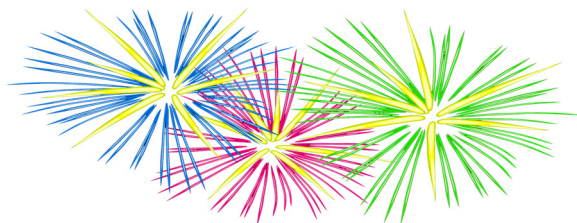
\$10 per person
\$25 for couples/
families

Please RSVP

Email Michelle Dixon
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Games and activities for children.
OLS will provide all of the food, as well as
water, soda, and coffee. Just show up! BYOB.



Our 50/50 Raffle is back!!

Tickets are \$30 each, Books of 5 are \$150

There will be 3 winners

1st Prize – 35% of the Raffle Profit

2nd Prize – 10 % of the Raffle Profit

3rd Prize – 5% of the Raffle Profit

We will pick the winners on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at the Parish Picnic.

Purchase by completing the form below and mail with your donation or put in the collection basket on Sunday (it will be brought to the office.) We will mail your ticket to you. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

Tickets may also be purchased in the office or on our website <https://olschurch.com/>

We can take checks, cash or credit cards

Our Lady of Sorrows 2022 50/50 RAFFLE ORDER FORM

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ for _____ chance(s) in the Raffle

Credit Card # _____ Security # _____ Expiration _____

Name(s) _____

Please Print, PERSON ENTERING MUST BE 18 YEARS OR OLDER

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Email: _____

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[Municipal RL 1359](https://www.municipal-rl.com/)

THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

August 14th	Week 7	Y.to Date
Collection	\$11,141	\$79,468
Budgeted	\$11,788	\$82,516

Assessment \$1,524

Thank you for your generosity!

Blood Drive

The Blood Drive Committee and Vitalant Blood Services wish to express their gratitude to all those who participated in last Sunday's blood drive. Thanks to your unwavering support and selfless generosity, the Drive helped replenish dwindling blood reserves and sustained life for many.

Question of the Week



The Year of the Eucharist

Theme of Sun. Readings: The Narrow Gate
Luke 13:22-30

Adults: What daily choices are you making that will allow you to be recognized at the doorway of the reign of God?

Kids: What good habits are you practicing in order to be a good Christian?

Clothing and Shoe Drive

Mercy House, which is an extension of the Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark, is located in the heart of Newark and offers a welcoming space for individuals and families in need. They are now collecting Summer to Fall articles of clothing for babies, children, young adults and adults. The clothes may be new or gently used, but must be clean and in good condition (no suits at this time). Shoes also are greatly appreciated. Donations may be dropped off in the front vestibule of the Church, from August 27 through September 11. Thank you for your generosity to this collection, which will benefit so many who are in need.

Meet Our Staff

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***We are so Happy to Invite You To
Our Lady of Sorrows Healing Mass
September 17, 2022***

***Our Lady of Sorrows Church
217 Prospect St.
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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 9th

**(We would be grateful if you could RSVP by the 9th. 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.**

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.



VIGIL, SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022

5:30 PM Theresa Peluso

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2022

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM John Santoliquido - 16th Anniversary
11:30 AM John Ricciardi

MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2022

7:00 AM Sr. Felice Special Intention
12:00 PM Christyan Frantz Jean-Charles -
Special Intention

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022

7:00 AM Juliana Celony Phillippe and
Deceased Members of the Celony
Family
12:00 PM David Klugel

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022

7:00 AM Norma C. Pollard
12:00 PM Grace Pamiloza - Special Intention

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2022

7:00 AM Lyndon Bryce
12:00 PM Carrie Pfannenstiel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 2022

7:00 AM Francisco Recio
12:00 PM The Deehan and DePaola Families

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022

8:30 AM Ryan Moran
12:00 PM Rose Leroy Special Intention

VIGIL MASS SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022

5:30 PM Adelfa Echeverry

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2022

8:00 AM John P. Deehan
10:00 AM People of the Parish
11:30 AM Fred Raffa

In Sympathy of

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: **Maureen Driskill and June Lynch**. 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.

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: Cathy Craig, 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, Kate Mullin, Norma Gonzalez, Agnes Marshall, Bekim Colaku, Kyle Reardon, Mary Jane Tannen, Catherine Sullivan, Robert Charles, Jeanie Marucci, Patricia Bee and Elizabeth Mary, Donna T., Roy Bell, Norma Hermann and Mimi Hermann.



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