

**Our Lady of Sorrows Church**  
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**MASSES:** *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

**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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**August 30, 2020**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Stewardship is sharing our time, talent & treasure**

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## *Thank you, Kate Cahill!*

After 7 years, Kate Cahill, who directs the OLS Food Pantry, is “retiring” to Oregon to be near her children. We are going to miss Kate so terribly much. Words alone cannot suffice to thank Kate enough for the enormous amount of work that she has done in helping to meet the food insecurity needs of many in our community.

Together with her talented team of volunteers, Kate has worked tirelessly to secure food and monetary donations from individuals, businesses, and non-profits. They then organize all of the food donations to be distributed every other Saturday to those in need. Before the pandemic, approximately 150 people benefited every other Saturday from our Food Pantry. That number has now snowballed to 450 as more and more people have lost their jobs.

The amount of time that Kate and her team spend in collecting donations, organizing the food, and then distributing it is significant. But, of course, it all pays off in the gratitude expressed to Kate and the other volunteers by those who have been assisted by the Pantry. They are also blessed by knowing that they are living out in a tangible way the words of Jesus: *“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me.”*

Rest assured that Kate has worked hard in ensuring that her absence will not negatively affect the operations of the Food Pantry. At the same time, we all know that someone like Kate cannot be replaced.

Our prayers and best wishes follow Kate and her husband Vince as they begin their new life in Oregon. May God richly reward her for all of the good she has done in our community.

Kate, we love you and we will miss you! God bless you!



**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING  
OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

**The Sacrificial Giving of Our Parishioners**

<b>August 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Week 8</b>	<b>Y. To Date</b>
Collection	\$12,484	\$94,923
Avg. Budgeted	\$12,038	\$96,307

***Thank you for your continued support!***

***Let us pray for those who serve***



We give our deepest thanks and offer our sincere prayers for all those who

serve our nation in the armed services. To submit a name to our prayer list that will be published every week in the bulletin, please email the name, rank, and branch of service to Anne Moore at [ols.pastor@verizon.net](mailto:ols.pastor@verizon.net).

**RCIA**

If you have any questions concerning a Catholic who desires to complete his/her sacraments or someone who God is gracing to desire to come into His family the Catholic Church or just want to know about the Catholic faith, please give the office a call and ask for Sr. Mary Selina (973-763-5454) with any of your questions

**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 state that the individual is a registered member of our parish and is a Catholic in good standing.



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**NOVENA FOR  
FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP**

Immaculate Heart of Mary, help us to conquer the menace of evil, which so easily takes root in the hearts of the people of today, and whose immeasurable effects already weigh down upon our modern world and seem to block the paths toward the future.

- From famine and war, deliver us.
- From nuclear war, from incalculable self-destruction, from every kind of war, deliver us.
- From sins against human life from its very beginning, deliver us.
- From hatred and from the demeaning of the dignity of the children of God, deliver us.
- From every kind of injustice in the life of society, both national and international, deliver us.
- From readiness to trample on the commandments of God, deliver us.
- From attempts to stifle in human hearts the very truth of God, deliver us.
- From the loss of awareness of good and evil, deliver us.
- From sins against the Holy Spirit, deliver us.

Accept, O Mother of Christ, this cry laden with the sufferings of all individual human beings, laden with the sufferings of whole societies. Help us with the power of the Holy Spirit to conquer all sin: individual sin and the "sin of the world," sin in all its manifestations. Let there be revealed once more in the history of the world the infinite saving power of the redemption: the power of merciful love. May it put a stop to evil. May it transform consciences. May your Immaculate Heart reveal for all the light of hope. Amen.

**Facebook**

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



## Love and Marriage

It's an unfortunate reality that young people today are choosing more and more to be civilly married rather than being married in the Church and having their wedding witnessed by a priest or deacon.

Marriage is first a "natural institution," that is, it is established by God as a good in creation, and has been written by God into the nature of man and woman. The Catholic Church teaches that a "natural marriage" exists if it has the following characteristics: it is between one man and one woman; it is freely entered into by both the man and woman; it is entered into for life; and it is for the mutual love and support of the spouses and for the procreation and education of children. Whether a person is Catholic or not, whether baptized or not, to have a valid natural marriage, these elements must be present. If they are, the marriage is a valid *natural marriage*.

We know that because of Original Sin, our nature has been wounded and this has affected the natural institution of marriage. Jesus Christ, though, has come to our rescue. He raised the natural institution of marriage to the supernatural dignity of a Sacrament.

Therefore, the marriage of two baptized persons (whether Catholic or not), in addition to being a valid natural marriage, is now also a Sacrament. A "sacramental marriage" is one that establishes a covenantal bond and relationship between the couple and Christ, who gives the couple the necessary graces they will need in their marriage. The grace that Christ gives to a couple in a sacramental marriage perfects the natural love that a couple has for each other, elevating it to the supernatural level and giving it a sanctifying quality, such that a couple can grow in mutual holiness. Of course, a couple must fully cooperate with the sacramental grace offered to them on their wedding day in order to take full advantage of that grace.

Finally, the Catholic Church requires that in order for a valid sacramental marriage to take place, it must (aside from exceptional dispensed cases) take place in a church and be witnessed by a minister of the Church (priest or deacon). For Catholics, a marriage that takes place in a reception hall or on the beach or any other place, without proper dispensation from the Church, is not sacramentally valid. Likewise, Catholics who attempt to have their marriage witnessed by a civil magistrate (such as a judge or a justice of the peace) or by a non-Catholic minister are not sacramentally married at all.

It is very easy to make sacramental a marriage that was not celebrated in a Church and witnessed by a priest or deacon. It's called a "convalidation." Essentially, it means receiving the Church's blessing on the marriage and receiving the grace of the sacrament. If you and someone you knows is in this type of marriage, reach out to a priest or deacon to begin the process of having that marriage "sacramentalized."

Finally, if you or your child or grandchild are preparing for marriage, you and they should be aware of the Church's teaching on marriage. Please contact a priest or deacon to ensure that a valid sacramental marriage will be entered into and to understand more fully the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage. Christ awaits your acceptance of His invitation to become a part of your married and family life.

## 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](http://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.**

## Binge on this!

Don't be bored while stuck at home! Become more deeply engaged in your faith! Our Lady of Sorrows offers you free access to FORMED, an online depository of wonderful books, movies, audios, and much more. Here's how to sign up and start enjoying all those benefits:

1. Go to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)
2. Enter our parish code: RJCHGZ (if requested)
3. Create a personal account with your email address and a password
4. Start enjoying the best Christian content all in one place!



## **CCD Registration for 2020-2021 Year is Underway**

Please help us plan and prepare for the upcoming catechetical year by registering for CCD today. Our registration form is located on the OLS website. Simply click on the “Religious Education” tab and select the “CCD Registration” drop-down.

The Archdiocese of Newark has suspended in-person catechetical classes through the end of 2020, but our catechetical team has been working hard all summer long to transition the OLS CCD program into a robust remote learning experience. Our classes may look a little different this year, but the aim of our program remains the same: to bring all the children in our parish into a close personal relationship with Christ.

Through the end of 2020, CCD will consist primarily of 11 remote sessions. These sessions will be a combination of monthly “live” Zoom classes and catechist-recorded instruction. Additionally, students will also have the opportunity to attend four additional in-person outdoor “events”. Our program will be administered via Google Classroom and students will receive CCD “kits” in September with everything they need for a successful CCD year. At the end of the year we will be working with the Archdiocese of Newark and the parish to determine the look of the program for the remainder of the year. Should we return to in-person classes at any time, families wishing to continue with remote learning may do so through our homeschooling program.

Our CCD fees continue to remain the same as they have for the last three years. As always, families needing to be added to a payment plan or requiring financial assistance will be accommodated. Please contact Colleen McDonald at [sorrowschurch@gmail.com](mailto:sorrowschurch@gmail.com) for details.

### **CCD Fee Schedule**

1 child - \$170

2 children - \$260

3+ children - \$345

We look forward to working with you to bring the good news of Christ to all the families in our parish this coming year. While some of the details of our transition to remote learning are still being worked out, please do not hesitate to reach out to Catechetical Coordinator Jen Noll, [jennollols@gmail.com](mailto:jennollols@gmail.com), if you have any questions or concerns about any aspect of the religious education program here at Our Lady of Sorrows.

### **Attention Parents of Rising First Graders**

Is your child entering first grade this fall? If so, please note that the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and Eucharist are received in the second year of religious education, generally in second grade. It is the policy of the Archdiocese that children must have two years of religious education before receiving these sacraments. So, don't delay, register your child for CCD today and start him or her on the road leading to Christ in the celebration of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and Eucharist.

## Helping Those in Need: Society of St. Vincent de Paul

*"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine,  
you did for me." (Mt 25:40)*

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering. This is done in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and its patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

The Society is one of the largest charitable organizations in the country. The purpose of the Society is to bear witness to the love of Christ. Our parish group does this by offering financial assistance to individuals and families temporarily unable to meet their current living expenses.

Every effort is made to provide this assistance in ways that respect the dignity of the recipient and the strictest confidentiality of the relationship between the recipient and the Society. People of all backgrounds and religions can receive assistance.



**Email [olssvdp@aol.com](mailto:olssvdp@aol.com) if you are in need of assistance.**

The Society cannot do this alone. We are therefore most grateful for the monetary donations we receive in order to carry out our work. Donations may be sent to: Our Lady of Sorrows Church, c/o Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 217 Prospect Street, South Orange, NJ 07079. Checks should be made out to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for helping us bear witness to the love of Christ.



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2020**

5:30 PM John D'Antuonno

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020**

8:00 AM People of the Parish  
10:00 AM Anthony Brescia 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
11:30 AM Norman Karpf

**MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2020**

7:00 AM Philippe Jean-Charles – Special Intention  
12:00 PM Bertha Miles

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020**

7:00AM Russell Pace Sr.  
12:00 PM Patricia Wiggins

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020**

7:00 AM John Joe McGirl  
12:00 PM Ann-Mamie Ducasse

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020**

7:00AM Dale Marshall – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
12:00 PM Patrick & Cecilia Isenegbe & Souls In Purgatory

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2020**

7:00AM Msgr. Francis R. Seymour  
12:00 PM Ernestina Lacy

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2020**

8:30 AM Michael O'Roarke  
12:00 PM John Maher

**VIGIL MASS SEPTEMBER 5, 2020**

5:30 PM People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020**

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Lambusta & Abramo Families  
10:00 AM In Thanksgiving for Bernadette Ezudemoih & Family and Souls in Purgatory  
11:30 AM John Battaglia

*Please Note Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup> is Labor Day. We will have one mass only in the upper church at 9:00 AM*

**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 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, Rosemary Muller, Catherine Maranto, Melissa O'Brien and Rita Arena.

