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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

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September 10, 2023

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

I have to that admit I'm pretty bummed out! Why? Well, Summer is now (un)officially over. Even though Fall doesn't begin until September 23rd, with children back to school, it most definitely feels like the days of Summer are past. Sure, we may be able to squeeze in a few more days down the Shore or have a couple more BBQs, but we'll have to wait until next year for a long succession of carefree, summer days.

That said, Fall does mean that our parish's activities ramp up again. And for that, I'm very excited. We have a lot of activities ahead to nourish our faith and build our parish community. Allow me to list a few of those in the months ahead:

OLS Rosary Society: Tuesday, September 12th, at 7:00 pm: This meeting will begin with the praying of the Rosary and be followed by a talk by Sr Mary Selina, entitled "Eucharistic Women Who See Through the Heart." Afterward, refreshments will be served.

Our parish Rosary Society meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month, at 7:00 pm. For more information, contact Kathy Shelffo: kathyshelffo@gmail.com.

Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows: Friday, September 15th: We will have Masses at 7:00 am, 9:30 am (School Mass, but all are welcome), and 12:00 Noon. May our Blessed Mother, under her title of Our Lady of Sorrows, continue to watch over our parish family and may we continually seek refuge under her mantle.

OLS Annual Healing Mass: Saturday, September 23rd, 12:00 Noon: This Mass is for anyone who is suffering due to physical, mental, emotional, or spiritual illness. There will be a light lunch served afterward. Please register by September 15th. Contact Colleen McDonald for more information: sorrowschurch@gmail.com.

OLS Family Mass: the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month, beginning September 24th. At these Masses, the children and youth of our parish will participate in various ways: as ushers/greeters, lectors, and singing in the choir. The homily will also be geared toward children. And more good news! After these 2 monthly Masses, we will have coffee and donuts and bagels. So, twice as many donuts and bagels every month! For more information and to volunteer, contact Stephanie Sonnick: olschurchministries@gmail.com or Jen Noll: jennollols@gmail.com.

OLS Men's Discussion Series: This monthly series will focus on a man's role in society, the family, and his own faith. Meetings are at 7:30 pm in the Lower Chapel on the following dates:

Tuesday, Sept. 26: Catholic Masculinity

Tuesday, Oct. 24: Fatherhood

Tuesday, Nov. 28: Brotherhood

Monday, Dec. 11: Sacramental Life

All are welcome and refreshments will be served. For further information, contact Lou Budzyn: kc303@gmail.com. This Discussion Series is sponsored by the OLS Knight of Columbus *Regina Pacis* (Queen of Peace) Council.

Our parish Knights of Columbus meet on the 2nd Monday of every month. Contact Grand Knight Peter Morin for further information about this Catholic fraternal men's organization: council4066@gmail.com.

Blessing of animals: Sunday, October 1st, 12:30 pm: In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have our annual blessing of animals. Have your family pet join Daisy (our Rectory Lab Retriever) and receive this annual blessing. The blessing will be near the statue of Mary on 4th Street.

OLS Women's Retreat: Saturday, October 7th - "*Woman, what are you looking for?*" This day of reflection is from 8:30 am - 1:30 pm and will include Mass, breakfast, and a keynote speaker, with time for discussion and prayer afterwards. This is a great opportunity to step back from the busyness of life and to meet other women just like you in the OLS community! All women of all ages are welcome, no matter where you might find yourself in your journey of faith. Our team is ready to welcome you. For more information, contact Melanie Chambers: mchambers97@comcast.net.

OLS Bereavement Ministry: This is for those grieving the death of a loved one. It will be led by Deacon Walter Wiggins and other trained facilitators. If you are suffering through the loss of a loved one, you don't need to do so alone. Consider joining this faith-based support group. We will meet on 7 successive Sundays, beginning on Sunday, Oct. 8th, from 4:00-5:15. The meetings will be in the parish offices, accessed off 4th Street. Each session includes information, grief support and mutual sharing in a spiritual, confidential setting. Pre-registration is required. If you are interested in joining us or hearing more about the group, please contact Liz at 610-357-0532 or via email at Lsbtebert@gmail.com.

Rosary Congress: We will have 24 hours of perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, beginning at 7:00 pm with Mass on Tuesday, October 10th and concluding at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, October 11th with Solemn Benediction. At the top of each hour, we will pray the Holy Rosary. We all know that our world, country, Church, and perhaps our families are in turmoil right now and that we are all anxious and worried about what the future holds for us. There's one thing that we need more than anything to deal with this anxiety: prayer. An especially powerful form of prayer is spending time before Our Lord in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. When we combine that time with Him in the Eucharist with prayers to Our Blessed Mother by means of the Rosary, we are assured of finding peace, a peace which "surpasses all understanding." Visit our parish website (www.olschurch.com) for more information.

Ray Boswell Family Retreat: Sunday, October 15th, from 4:00-5:00 pm, in the Church. Through storytelling, the creation of pottery, and music, presenter and potter Ray Boswell will invite us to pray and reflect upon the imagery of God as potter and we as clay (Jeremiah 18:6). His multimedia presentation will engage our senses and inspire us to see God's grace and presence at work in the Eucharist and in our lives. All ages and members of our parish family are welcome to join us. You won't want to miss this! For more information, contact Jen Noll: jennollols@gmail.com.

OLS Hymn Festival: Sunday, October 29, 4:00 pm. St Augustine tells us that *to sing is to pray twice*. We do this each time we gather for Mass and so too shall we pray twice at this concert offered by our Parish Choir and brass. Entitled "Foundations of Faith," this hymn festival will be similar in format to our annual Carol Sing where some music is presented by the choir alone and some includes congregational participation. All of the music will be based upon recognized hymn tunes from our hymnal, but will have embellishments by our talented Parish Choir with support from the Gramercy Brass Quintet.

New School Year: And last, but certainly not least, we pray for God's blessings upon all our young people who are returning to school, including those who are enrolled in our CCD classes. May they be open to the many blessings that God has planned for them this year and may they continue to grow in faith, knowledge, and wisdom!

In our Gospel for this weekend, Jesus said, "*Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*" Considering all the parish events and gatherings we have planned over the next couple of months, Jesus is going to be very much in our midst!

Fall Blessings,



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<u>September 3rd</u>	<u>Week 10</u>	<u>Y. to Date</u>
Collection	\$11,681	\$115,708
Budgeted	\$12,027	\$120,266

Food Pantry \$2,308
Assessment \$410
Candles \$378

Thank you for your generosity!

New Priest in Residence at OLS!

We are happy to welcome Fr. Patrick Seo as a priest-in-residence at OLS. As a priest-in-residence, Fr. Patrick is not assigned to full-time ministry at OLS, but rather he lives in our rectory residence, and he will help out occasionally with Masses and confessions as his schedule permits. Fr. Rich and Fr. Gino are also priests-in-residence at OLS.

Fr. Patrick was born in Brooklyn, NY to his South Korean parents alongside two older sisters. They moved to Englewood Cliffs, NJ where he studied in the public school system and then attended high school at Bergen Catholic in Oradell.

He then flew off to California to study at Thomas Aquinas College in Santa Paula. With plans to become a physician, he attended Northwestern University in Evanston, IL for a post-baccalaureate premedical program. He



then worked for one year in research at Rockefeller University in NYC, and then went to Thomas Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia.

He was in his third year of medical school when the Lord called him towards another life. He entered Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall and studied there until he was ordained a Transitional Deacon in 2016, serving at St. Michael's in Cranford. The following year, 2007, he was ordained a priest of Jesus Christ.

For five years, Fr. Patrick was assigned to Our Lady of Mercy in Park Ridge. In 2022 he was assigned to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary and St. Michael's in Elizabeth. In 2023, the Lord called Fr. Patrick to serve as Associate Vocations Director of the Archdiocese of Newark.

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.

Volunteer for Family Promise of Essex County

We will again be supporting families experiencing homelessness for Family Promise of Essex County (formerly Interfaith Hospitality Network) in October. We need to shop for a list of grocery items for four to five families and prepare a meal for each family. The meals and grocery items will need to be brought to Our Lady of Sorrows in the lower church (4th Street entrance) the evening of Monday, October 9 or the morning of Tuesday, October 10, and will be delivered to the Family Promise office on October 10. The volunteer roles include:

- Cooks to prepare a meal, or part of a meal, for four to five families.
- Shoppers to buy and donate the requested grocery items for each family.
- Volunteers to help accept and store meals and groceries on Monday evening (October 9) and Tuesday morning (October 10).

Starting this weekend (September 9/10), we will have sign-up sheets in the church vestibule for these roles. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these roles, or have any questions, please contact Anna Nelson at annanelson202@gmail.com or 973-477-9546.

CYO Volleyball Team

St. Joseph's CYO Athletics is currently accepting registration for the 2023 Girls Volleyball Team. Teams are open to student-athletes in grades 5-8 who are registered in the parish CCD program.

More information is located on the CYO website: www.stjosephscyo.org/volleyball/

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 men's voices especially 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

OLS Rosary Society

We hope you all had a restful summer! The Rosary Society welcomes everyone back to our Tuesday, September 12th meeting which will feature a talk by Sr Mary Selina. Her talk is entitled, "Eucharistic Women Who See Through the Heart."

The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm with praying the Rosary, followed by refreshments. Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us. Hope to see you there!

Hello from Troop 99!



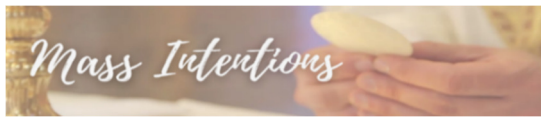
(Scouts BSA Troop 99 is for girls ages, 11-17 and meets right here at Our Lady of Sorrows Church)

School is back in session. Our Scouts work hard and excel in school but know that when camping weekend comes, it's time to put the phones down and immerse themselves in the great outdoors. Personal connections, teamwork and exciting adventures are the hallmarks of scouting. To learn more, stop by our table at the parish picnic or contact us at OLSScoutsBSA@gmail.com or 973-763-6349 (voice only). We can't wait to meet you.

PS-feel free to ask us about scouting for boys or for children grades K-5.

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.**



VIGIL, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

5:30 PM Mario Inguaggiato

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Dawn Mattheiss

11:30 AM Manuel Fernandes

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

7:00 AM Kohimbany Batoo Ambouroué

12:00 PM Patricia Smith

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

7:00 AM Kashia Francois – Special Intention

12:00 PM Margaret Richards

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

7:00 AM Mary Ann Narduzzi – Special Intention

12:00 PM Susan Di Maio

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

7:00 AM Margherita and Antonio Pizzillo

12:00 PM Evelyn A. Trapp

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

7:00 AM Margaret Miller

9:30 AM Gerardo Reyes-Cortez – School Mass

12:00 PM Margaret R. Greaney

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

8:30 AM Craig Miller

12:00 PM Geraldine Doyle

VIGIL SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

5:30 PM Stasia and Walter Borowicz

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

8:00 AM Robert Antinozzi – Special Intention

10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM Michael McDonough – 8th Anniversary

Welcomed Home by God

Let us remember in our prayers those who have recently passed away at OLS: **Danielle Horan**.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. Amen

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 **Benito Morgan**. Requested by Ivette and Thomas Maddi.

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.





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

***Our Lady of Sorrows Church
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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 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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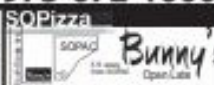
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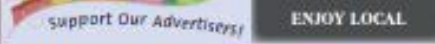
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