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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 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 and arrange Communion calls

Marriages: Arrange at least one year in advance with a parish priest

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SEPTEMBER 5, 2021
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Message From Fr. Brian

Happy Labor Day! I hope and pray that you had a restful, relaxing summer. While I'm writing this on Monday, August 30th, I'm looking ahead at the forecast for this weekend and Labor Day Monday and it's looking pretty good. I hope so because I'll be going to a BBQ on Monday!

Labor Day should not be seen simply as the last chance to BBQ or as the end of our days down the Shore, but it should also concentrate our thoughts on the meaning of human labor. In the Christian view, work gives us the opportunity to cooperate with God in His on-going creative work. Work provides us with all that we might need to live comfortably and securely. Work can bring about satisfaction in knowing that we have done a job well. It can also be a chance for us to use the skills and talents with which God has gifted us.

We know, of course, that God the Father sent His only-begotten Son, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to be raised by a worker, St. Joseph the Carpenter. It's no coincidence that Pope Pius XII named St. Joseph the patron saint of laborers, because it was he who, by the work of his carpentry, provided for Mary and for the infant Jesus.

The legend goes that as a boy, Jesus helped Joseph as a laborer in the carpentry shop. And people used to ask Joseph to make two wooden items in particular. The first, a table, upon which a beautiful banquet could be celebrated. And second, the Romans would often come to St. Joseph and ask him to make a cross.

St. Joseph would tell Jesus, "Son, these are two of the things that we make with wood. One is for the good of God's people, one is to feed them and strengthen them and celebrate life. The other is to crucify God's people. One day, someone will use this table and someone will use this cross."

Little did St. Joseph know that his foster son would use such a table at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, the night before He died. And little did he know that it would be his foster son that would hang upon a cross.

If we think about it, those are the two ways of looking a labor, are they not? One, the view that work is used to recreate that table where all can come together to be fed by God, where our human dignity is enhanced, and where the beauty and gifts of nature are shared in abundance. The other view of labor leads to putting the working man and woman on the cross, and this view is all too prevalent in our world today.

Let's ask St. Joseph to intercede with God so that the world will view work as an opportunity to share in God's own work, and to strengthen and celebrate human dignity and to bring ever-greater glory to God our Father.

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Whether or not you go to a BBQ this holiday weekend, please plan to join us next **Sunday, September 12th**, at our parish picnic, when you can partake in our own BBQ. This will be a chance to gather with friends, neighbors, and fellow parishioners. There will be lots of food, great music, and games for the kids. And you can't beat the price! \$10/person or \$25 for the whole family. It all begins at 12:30 pm. In order for us to know how much food to order, please inform us **ASAP** if you're coming. You may do so by email: medixon@gmail.com. Payment may be made at the picnic. Weeks ago, Fr. Rich promised not to eat a cheeseburger until the picnic. Be there when he does!

Labor Day Blessings,



Please join us for our Parish and School Picnic!



Sunday
September 12 12:30-5pm \$10 per person
\$25 for couples/
families



Please RSVP

Email Michelle Dixon
medixon8@gmail.com



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

**THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING
OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

August 29th	Week 9	Y. to Date
Collection	\$10,674	\$103,280
Avg. Budgeted	\$11,179	\$100,611

Food Pantry \$1,582

Thank you for your continued support!

Christian Initiation Highlights

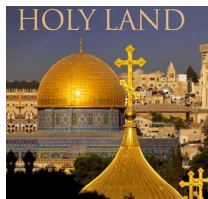
Six new members were initiated into our Christian Community. They are: Nolan Edmund Leary, Bridget Joyce Morin, Serena Rose Quinn, Roger Clark Stepanek, Levi Karter Martin Prince, and Rafael Logan Pamiloza Basco. We congratulate their parents, godparents and families. Our next Baptismal celebration will be Sunday, September 26, 2021.

OLS Choirs seek new members

While the wonderful choirs at OLS were able to partially continue their ministry during the pandemic, we look forward to the full return of our St. Cecilia Singers for children in grades 3-8; our Canticum Novum Singers who sing at the 10:00 am Mass and our Parish Choir at the 11:30 am Mass. New members are welcomed and needed in all choirs, especially men in our two adult choirs. For more information, please see Preston Dibble after Mass or at the parish office or email him: olsmusician@gmail.com

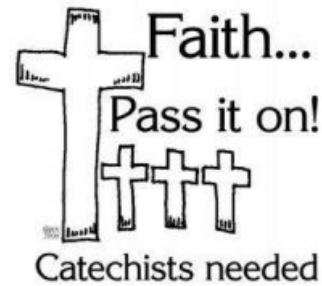
Holy Land Pilgrimage

We are now planning a parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Israel), from March 8-18, 2022.



We will walk in the footsteps of Jesus and the trip will include, among many other sites, the following: Mount Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, the Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, Mount Tabor, Bethlehem, the Dead Sea, Massada, and Jerusalem. As of August 30th, 48 people have expressed interest in this trip. If you are interested, please email Fr. Brian at your earliest convenience: fbrianneedles@gmail.com.

Monday, September 5th is Labor day. We will have only one Mass, at 9:00 am.



Catechists Needed

CCD classes begin on Monday, September 20th and Tuesday, September 21st. **We are still looking for catechists to help us teach 6th grade on Mondays and 8th grade on either Monday or Tuesday afternoons. We are also in need of a part-time catechist to help with our Monday 2nd grade class.** Please search your heart and your schedule and give prayerful consideration to joining our catechetical team. After a year of remote learning, our kids need witnesses to the faith more than ever before!

Classes meet on Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 3:55-5:15 pm. Training, catechetical support resources and teacher's manuals provided. No experience necessary - just a love of the Lord and children! Please contact Jen Noll at jennollols@gmail.com for more information.



Are **you** or **someone you know** being called to the fullness of the Catholic faith? Do **you** or **someone else** need to confirm your Baptismal call by receiving Confirmation? Please do not hesitate to call the parish office and ask for **Sister Mary Selina**. Please do not hesitate to say YES to the Lord's invitation.

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>

New drop-off procedure for Food Pantry

Thank you to all who drop off food to our Food Pantry. Without your assistance, we could not serve all of the families that we do. Please be aware of our new drop-off times and procedures:

- Monday-Friday: 9:30-4:00 – 4th Street entrance (lower Church – buzz to be let in)
- Saturday: 8:00-6:00 – Church front vestibule
- Sunday: 8:00-12:00 – Church front vestibule

Please do not leave food at the Rectory.

Thank you for respecting these drop off times and thank you for your continued generosity to our Food Pantry.

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?



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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.**

Meet Our Staff

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***We are so Happy to Invite You To
Our Lady of Sorrows Healing Mass
September 18, 2021 – Noon Mass***

*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 special bagged lunch this year******

Sign-up Deadline: September 9th

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 a lunch bag. We will not have any extras.

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, SEPTEMBER 4, 2021

5:30 PM Stasia and Walter Borowicz

SUNDAY, SEPTMEBER 5, 2021

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the
Lambusta and Abramo Families

10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM John J. Bober

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2021

9:00 AM Debra Flynn

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

7:00AM James J. Quinn

12:00 PM David C. Durkin

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

7:00 AM Robert Weiss

12:00 PM Nelyn Lee

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

7:00AM Steffi Poss

12:00 PM Dawn Mattheis - 26th Anniversary

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

7:00 AM Luz F. Sevilla

12:00 PM Benito Morgan

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

8:30 AM Deceased Family and Friends of
the Ferrace and Pizzilto Families

12:00 PM Margaret Richards

VIGIL MASS SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

5:30 PM Patricia J. Smith

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM All Rosarians, Living & Deceased

11:30 AM Mario and Mary Inguaggiato

In Memoriam

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

This Week's *Sanctuary Candle* in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of *Luz Sevilla and Norma Samison*. Requested by Angela Sevilla.

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, Melissa O'Brien, Rita Arena, John Colaku, Pat Bendrot, Kate Mullin, Rosemary Muller, Norma Gonzalez, Agnes Marshall, Bekim Colaku and Kyle Reardon.



2021 Mass Book

The 2021 Mass book is now open. You may send in your Mass intention requests by mail. The donation for Masses is \$10 for each one. Please use the form below to submit requests by mail or place this form in the Sunday collection basket. When we receive your request, we will call you to let you know if the date and time you requested is unavailable. If you require a Mass card, we will mail it to you (please check the box below if you wish to have a Mass card).

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Name of the deceased or Special Intention (please specify): _____

Is a Mass card required? Yes No

Date (weekday) _____ 7:00 am 12:00 Noon

Date (Saturday) _____ 8:30 am 12:00 Noon

Date (Saturday Vigil/Sunday) _____ 5:30 pm 8:00 am
 10:00 am 11:30 am

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