

*Our Lady of Sorrows Church*  
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ANYONE OF YOU WHO DOES NOT  
RENOUCE ALL HIS POSSESSIONS  
CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE.

LUKE 14:33



**MASSSES:** *Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm, Sunday 8:00, 10:00 & 11:30 am*

*Monday-Friday 7:00 am, 12:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am, 12:00 pm (Lower Church)*

**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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***September 8, 2019***  
***23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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

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## A Message From Fr. Chan

One of my biggest fears before my ordination to the priesthood was the looming fear that I might become disillusioned with priestly life, or that I would lose the zeal and passion I currently have for priestly ministry once the novelty wears off. Having met priests that had lost their passion for priesthood greatly discouraged me, to the point that I began to doubt whether I would “make it” or not as a priest for the rest of my life. This fear grew exponentially last summer when the McCarrick scandals were beginning to hit the news cycles. I asked myself: these men all probably had the same passion and zeal I have now when *they* were first starting out... what’s to say that I won’t turn *bad* either?

I confided these fears to a wise priest-mentor in the seminary. He gave me one of the wisest answers I received in all my eight years in priestly formation: **without the *people*, there is no priest – the people will keep the fire of your priesthood burning.**

These words were proven true for me during my time here at OLS. The Lord has indeed blessed me with the realization that my priesthood only exists for the service of His people. The joy of praying the Mass as a Christian community; the privilege of being allowed entry into the most intimate parts of peoples’ lives; witnessing Christ’s victory in the confessional; being edified by the devotion and virtue of the Christian people – all these experiences have become the crowning jewels of my priesthood. It’s you, the faithful of the Lord, my brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, that keep the fire burning brightly. It’s your devotion that makes me excited to get up in the morning.

Thank you. Thank you for allowing me to be your priest. It has been a privilege and an honor to be able to serve you during my time here. I will treasure this time for the rest of my life. I would also like to thank Fr. Brian and all of the staff here at OLS for guiding me along as I took my first steps into priesthood. They have truly been indispensable in my learning of how to be a priest.

It will be difficult having to leave this parish. I would have really enjoyed staying here for an extended period of time. And yet, I am consoled in the fact that we are all joined as one in the Eucharist. That we are all following behind the Lord, a *great crowd traveling with Jesus*, the Church. May we continue to recommit ourselves daily to being faithful disciples. May we never cease praying for the grace to do so.

Please pray for me. And be assured of my continued prayers for you. May God bless you always.

Fr. Chan

## THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

**Due to the Labor Day Holiday this will be reported in the next bulletin**

### Bible Study

Our Study of the Catholic Faith in the Theological Tradition of the Church will begin on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 9:00 am in the Chapel.

### Holy Hour

Our Holy Hour will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Upper Church.

### Calling all singers!

As summer vacations turn back to the academic year so too will our choirs return to provide beautiful music for parish Masses. New members are always welcomed to our choirs but most especially as we begin a new year together!

- Our Parish Choir is open to anyone in high school and beyond. They rehearse on Thursday evenings and offer music at the 11:30AM Mass on Sundays.
- Canticum Novum is also open to anyone in high school and beyond. They rehearse on Sunday mornings at 9AM and offer music for the 10:00AM Mass.
- Saint Cecelia Singers are open to young parishioners in the third through eighth grades. They rehearse Thursday afternoons and provide music at selected 10AM and 11:30AM Masses throughout the year.

For more information on any of our choirs or to join, please contact Preston Dibble either after a Sunday Mass or at the parish office:

[olsmusician@gmail.com](mailto:olsmusician@gmail.com)

### Facebook

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

### Reflections on Catechism

2415 The seventh commandment enjoins respect for the integrity of creation. Animals, like plants and inanimate beings, are by nature destined for the common good of past, present and future humanity. Use of the mineral, vegetable, and animal resources of the universe cannot be divorced from respect for moral imperatives. Man's dominion over inanimate and other living beings granted by the Creator is not absolute; it is limited by concern for the quality of life of his neighbor, including generations to come; it requires a religious respect for the integrity of creation.

### 13<sup>th</sup> of the Month Club

Inviting all with devotion to the Virgin Mary to join us in prayer, discussion of articles about Mary, support for each other in our journey as Catholics, and renewal of consecration to Mary. Meeting is Sat. 9/14 at 10:30 in Kateri.

### Invitation to Assist at Our Lady of Sorrow's Healing Mass

**DATE: September 21, 2019**

**TIME: 12 Noon**

If you will be able to be there **it is necessary** that you inform the office by phone: 973-763-5454 and ask to put a message on my phone **by September 10**. If you leave a message for me give me your name, phone number and whether you are staying for a light lunch. We will be making the assignments for those who volunteer to help.

We do the assignments using the names of those who called in. If we don't have your name you will not be on our list of assignments.

Thank you for all you do to help all of us at OLS!

God bless! Sr. Mary Selina

### Come Adore the Lord

**God is always with us, but so often we are not with God.** If only for a few minutes, visit Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar in the chapel downstairs every Monday and Friday from 12:30 till 3:00 pm. At 3pm, the hour of Christ's total abandonment and death on the cross for us we offer Him our love by praying the powerful 10 minute long Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. **Let us put our faith into action!**

## Rosary Congress

The Archdiocese of Newark will be hosting its first Rosary Congress. Multiple parishes and ministries will take a turn, including Our Lady of Sorrows, in a 24 hour, 7 day Rosary and Adoration event. Our turn will begin on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> with a 7:00pm Mass and continuing through our closing Solemn Benediction and Rosary on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Our new music director Preston Dibble will be providing music for our opening Mass and closing Benediction.

The Rosary Congress is a week-long period of intense, around the clock prayer consisting of Perpetual Adoration and Hourly Rosary, offered in a spirit of reparation. We are joining with other dioceses across the nation to pray for the healing of our Church, our families and our nation.

There will be sign-up sheets at our Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> and after all Masses coming up in September.

## SAVE THE DATE for the October Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Host Week

Volunteer sign-up sheets are now available in the church vestibule for the next Interfaith Hospitality Network Host Week: **October 13 to 20**. We need volunteers in a variety of ways: preparing meals, shopping for the week, setting up and breaking down the living space, spending time with the families, staying overnight, and helping with laundry. For more information, please contact Anna Nelson at: [annanelson202@gmail.com](mailto:annanelson202@gmail.com) or 973-378-3136 or Liz Petroccia at: [lizpetroccia@msn.com](mailto:lizpetroccia@msn.com) or 973-763-4053.

## THINK ABOUT IT

“Jesus lived and proclaimed [the] universal ethic of nonviolence: a paradigm of the fullness of life putting love into action, returning good for evil, rejecting violence and killing, and nurturing a just, peaceful, sustainable, and reconciled world. It springs from his foundational understanding of God and of the nonviolent life that God calls us to live: to make peace with one another; to resist the violence and injustice that threaten or destroy this peace; and to foster a world where the fullness of peace is the birthright of all. Jesus showed us how to live this way of faithful nonviolence, even in the midst of violence and oppression, by calling us to love our enemies, to not kill, to put down the sword, and to respond actively to the cry of the poor.”—Catholic Nonviolent Initiative Think About It . . . Anna Nelson for the Peace and Justice Committee

# SOMA

Our Lady of Sorrows St. Joseph  
Youth  Ministry

**South Orange Maplewood  
Welcome & Welcome Back!**

We are all excited to begin the 2019-2020 Youth Ministry Year. We look forward to your involvement as a volunteer, Youth Leader, or Confirmandi.

- ❖ Any Junior or Senior in Our Lady of Sorrows or St. Joseph's interested in becoming a leader should attend the Youth Group meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in St. Joseph's Hall. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Applications will be available that night for new and returning leaders.
- ❖ There is a mandatory parent meeting for incoming Freshman Parents of both Sorrows and St. Joseph's on Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in the Chapel in the lower church of Our Lady of Sorrows.
- ❖ Youth Group Officially begins for all on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, in the lower church of Our Lady of Sorrows from 7:30-9:00 PM (drop-off at 7:25 and pick up at 9:00)
- ❖ Youth Group registration is available online – just use the following link: <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-3897414/>

If you need to reach Chris Kaiser, our SOMA Catholic Youth Minister, he can be reached via email [caugustkaiser@gmail.com](mailto:caugustkaiser@gmail.com) or cell at (862) 216-1885. To reach the office, please call Colleen McDonald at (973) 763-5454 or email her at: [sorrowschurch@gmail.com](mailto:sorrowschurch@gmail.com).

## Parish Bulletin

A reminder that if you are ever away, you can always read our weekly parish Bulletin on our parish website at: [www.olschurch.com](http://www.olschurch.com). Simply click the link for "Bulletin"



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019**

5:30 PM People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**

8:00 AM Bridget Milewski  
10:00 AM Margaret Higgins  
11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Lambusta & Abramo Families

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019**

7:00 AM Helene Downey  
12:00 PM Henry J. McCabe

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019**

7:00 AM John Scanlon  
12:00 PM Patrick McHugh

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2019**

7:00 AM Phanor Hermann  
12:00 PM Patricia J. Smith

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

7:00AM Deacon John Inguaggiato –  
Improved Health  
9:30 AM School Mass  
12:00 PM Margaret Richards

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2019**

7:00AM Michael Robertson - Continued  
Blessings  
12:00 PM Renee Cavanaugh 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019**

8:30 AM Rosa Delia Shoemaker  
12:00 PM Frances Veltre

**VIGIL MASS SEPTEMBER 14, 2019**

5:30 PM Walter & Stasia Borowicz

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**

8:00 AM Rosarians Living & Deceased  
10:00 AM People of the Parish  
11:30 AM Carolyn Peter Boring 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**IN MEMORIAM**

This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **Manuel Fernandes**. Requested by Joy Fernandes & Family. This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Lower Church is being offered in loving memory of **Benito Morgan**. Requested by The Maddi Family.

**OFFER OF GIFTS**

When the Mass intention is for your loved one or friend, and you would like to bring up gifts of bread and wine, please advise one of the ushers.

**IN MEMORIAM**

It is a loving gesture to donate the weekly Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or 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, Michael Davis, Bill Aber, Neville Moore, Jerry McElroy, Jane O'Donoghue, George Richmond Files Jr., Megan More, Marie Manno, Ludgarda Rosa, Dale Marshall, Eileen Muench, Stephanie Windsor, Deacon John Inguaggiato, Amy Dombrowski, Mark F. Davonski, Patti Coccia, Sr. Theresia Maria Holtschlag, George Richmond Files Jr., Anthony Torsiello and Beth Hebron.



## **Don't Delay - Register for CCD Today**

New and returning families are encouraged to register now for CCD classes and the OLS homeschooling program. Monday CCD classes begin September 23rd from 3:45 - 5:15 pm for students in Kindergarten through Grade 6; and 7:00 - 8:30 pm for students in Grades 7 and 8. Please note, this year we are also offering a Monday afternoon class for 7th graders with limited enrollment. Tuesday CCD classes begin on September 24th from 3:45 - 5:15 pm for students in Grades 1 through 6.

The online registration form can be accessed via the parish website: [www.olschurch.com](http://www.olschurch.com). Simply click on the "Religious Education" tab at the top of the home page or type the following into your computer's browser: <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-3676671>. Payment may be made via credit card or bank transfer. Standard pricing ends on September 15th. Please note, no child will be refused acceptance into our program due to financial hardship. Any family who would like to request financial assistance or to set up a payment plan should contact Colleen McDonald at [sorrowschurch@gmail.com](mailto:sorrowschurch@gmail.com) or 973-763-5454 x285.

If you have any questions regarding CCD registration, please contact Jen Noll at [jennollols@gmail.com](mailto:jennollols@gmail.com) or 973-763-5454 x235.

## **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.

## **Catechists Needed**

Do you have a love of children and a passion for sharing your faith with others? If so, please give prayerful consideration to becoming a catechist for the 2019-2020 school year. Classes run from the end of September through the beginning of May with many weeks off for holidays- roughly a 35 hour per year commitment. Team teaching is also an option for individuals wishing to share classroom responsibilities with a partner. Teaching manuals, curriculum resources and support are provided to all catechists.

As a catechist you will-

- Learn about your own faith while teaching it to others.
- Practice good stewardship by sharing your time and talents with those at the beginning of their faith journeys.
- Become an evangelist by answering Christ's call to bring the gospel to others.
- Have fun while witnessing the Gospel taking root in the next generation of the Church.
- Model Christian behavior by showing the youth of our parish how important God is in your own life - and theirs.
- Meet other parishioners with a shared interest in the message of Christ and working with children.
- Receive reduced CCD tuition if you have children in the program.

Our CCD program relies upon volunteers in order to be able to offer classes for each grade and to maintain small class sizes. **Volunteers are currently needed to help lead 2nd and 6th grade classes on Monday and 1st and 5th grade classes on Tuesday afternoons from 3:45 - 5:15 pm.** If you are interested in helping OLS in its mission to provide quality religious instruction to the youth of the parish, please contact Jen Noll at [jennollols@gmail.com](mailto:jennollols@gmail.com) or 973-763-5454 ext. 235. Thanks in advance for your consideration.

# Please join us for our Parish Picnic!



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**Sunday**  
**September 8**

12:30-  
5pm

\$10 per person  
\$20 for couples/  
families

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### Please RSVP

Call or email  
Michelle Dixon  
617-283-1718  
medixon8@gmail.com



### Details

Games and activities for children  
Burgers, hot dogs, and fried chicken  
will be supplied by the Parish. The Parish  
will supply water, soda, coffee.  
BYOB.

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### We ask attendees to bring a dish according to the following:

Last name beginning with A-H: appetizers  
Last name beginning with I-Q: side dishes  
Last name beginning with R-Z: desserts

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