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 MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm; Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 am Monday-Friday7:00 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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October 11, 2020 28thSunday in Ordinary Time

A Message from Fr. Brian

It's been said that "90% of life is just showing up." There's some truth to that, but I would argue that 90% of life is what we do AFTER we show up. Just "showing up" at your wedding might get you married, but it doesn't build a life-long marital relationship of loving, fighting and making up, paying the mortgage, dealing with sometimes difficult in-laws, raising sometimes unruly children, and so much more of what it means to be married.

Just "showing up" at the birth of your child might make you a "parent," but it doesn't make you a Mom or Dad who has to change the diapers, who is up all night with a sick child, who helps with the Algebra homework, who saves for college, and so much more of what it means to be a parent.

Just "showing up" at church every Sunday morning might make you a member-in-good-standing, but it doesn't automatically mean that you're a faithful Christian. G. K. Chesterton said that "Just going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in your garage makes you a car." To be a Christian takes action; it takes a day-to-day commitment.

In this Sunday's parable of the wedding banquet, Jesus tells us about a king who invites various groups of people to His son's wedding. The first group of invitees rejects the invitation. They don't want to show up at all. In fact, they do more than reject the invitation. They "kill the messenger" that brings them their invitation.

The next group of invitees expands to include everyone. All are invited to attend the wedding party. But with the invitation there comes an expectation. The expectation is that each guest will acknowledge their entry into the "wedding banquet" by making some changes in themselves. In the parable, the "change" required is in clothing. When the king came in to see the guests who had come to the banquet, he noticed a man who was not wearing wedding clothes. The king was furious. Who is this poor guy who failed to get dressed up for the wedding? The guy must have felt like the comedian who said, "I feel like a pair of brown shoes in a room full of black tuxedos."

What caused the king to be so mad at the guest who wasn't appropriately dressed? Well, this guy represents all those who accept the invitation by God to be His disciples – who call themselves Christians – but who show none of the signs of actually being Christian. St. Augustine said that the wedding garment that we should all be wearing is that of charitable love. We're supposed to make our corner of the world a better place, but so often we're filled with excuses: I can't. I'm busy. I'm taking care of *my* family. I'm taking care of *my* pob. I'm taking care of *my* home. I'm taking care of *my* self. We have a 1,001 excuses to avoid stepping outside of our own little self-obsessed world. Charitable love. That's the garment that Christ asks us each to put on when we come to His banquet table. Not just showing up, but making a difference with our lives. Putting our faith into action.

God asks us – He requires us – to bear fruit, to give back, to pay forward, to change ourselves, and to change the world. It's true that the first thing we have to do is "show up." But that's just the beginning of the authentic Christian life.

In our first reading, the prophet Isaiah said that God is preparing a feast for us, *"a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines."* When it's our time to go to that incredible feast, will we be dressed appropriately?

Blessings,

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| October 4 th Collection | Week 14 | Y. To Date |
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| Collection | \$13,038 | \$167,272 |
| Avg. Budgeted | \$12,038 | \$168,358 |

Thank you for your continued support!

Meet our Staff

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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 indicate that **the individual isaregistered member of our parish and is a practicing Catholic and have received Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.**

Please note: Monday, October 12th, is Columbus Day and there will be only 1 Mass, at 9:00 am.

Prayer for Peace in the World By Pope St. John Paul II

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 selfdestruction, 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 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.

<u>Congratulations to our ninth calendar raffle</u> <u>winner!</u>

Congratulations to Fr. Rich Pfannenstiel on winning our ninth of 12 monthly drawings in our new calendar raffle. Fr. Rich won \$1,500! His ticket went right back in the raffle drum for subsequent monthly drawings. Our next drawing is November 2nd. Good luck to everyone!

<u>Our Lady of Sorrows to Celebrate Mass of</u> <u>Remembrance</u>

We will be celebrating our annual Mass of Remembrance in memory of departed family members, friends and parishioners on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:00pm. Please save the date to come together in prayer. All are welcome. A Book of Remembrance will be available two weeks before the Mass to list the names of departed loved ones.

St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry



"Could you not keep watch for one hour?"

As we celebrate Respect Life Month in our parish, we will have a special **Holy Hour for Life** on Monday, October 19, at 7:00 P.M Fr. Rich will lead us in a solemn, peaceful hour of prayer for the protection of all human life, from conception to natural death. Invite your family and friends and let's pray together in the presence of Our Lord.

Facebook: <u>facebook.com/olsprolife</u> | Instagram: @olsprolife.

Update from the OLS Food Pantry

The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a tremendous toll on local families. Prior to March, we served 100-125 families each week. For the past 2 months, we have provided bags of groceries to 400-450 families on our Saturday distribution dates.

Please help us keep our shelves stocked with basic grocery items including boxed milk (1qt, all types), hot/cold cereal (low sugar), pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, beans (can/dry), canned tuna & chicken, rice (1lb bags, all types), canned fruit and vegetables.

Food donations can be dropped off in the front vestibule of the church Monday-Friday 7am-3pm or Saturday, 8:30am-3:00 pm and at the front door of the rectory 3-5pm Monday-Saturday. Monetary donations are also accepted by check (payable to 'OLS Food Pantry' and mailed to the church at 217 Prospect Street) or online at https://olschurch.com/parish-giving/

Questions? Email <u>olspantry@gmail.com</u> or call 973-370-0458.

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.

Congratulations to Our Lady of Sorrows First Communicants

Nola Auzenne. Kían Joseph Breen Edward Joseph Chamberlin Jonah Chapman Xavier Breslin Connell Collin Hays Conway Janíe Cameron Corpuz Gíanní Del Sontro Colette Dahlia Drury Victoria Chinonye Duruji William Leigh Buchanan Edwards Dean Alexander Erskine Kamsi Michael Ezetah Fiorella Faith Falconi Renzo Federico Falconi Bennett William Fasolo Roxanne Italía Paulíne Fygetakes Jeffrey James Gonyo William Grady Gutschmidt Edith Elizabeth Johnson Dylan Charles Anthony Johnson Ryan Christopher Kelly Stella Lee LeBlanc

Vívíenne Ann Lístner Luke Robert Patrick MacWhannell Patrício Alejandro Li Charles Robert Lindquist Ella Claire Maguire Serafína Kate Martín William Christopher Martin Julia Claire McNany Chloe Vivienne Mohamed Cole Jacob Pedley Isabella Maríe Romero Natalie Kristine Ruffo Sophia Rose Ruffo Andrew Benjamin Scalzetti Tessa Elíse Scalzetti Arthur Gerhard Schumann Ema Julia Sherman Avery Jacqueline Grace Spells Peyton Elizabeth Margaret Spells Lena Maríe Squílla Luke Gabriel Tringali **Quinn Alice Ullrich** James Christian Waller Joy Palmísano Webber Matílda Margaret Young



2021 Mass Book

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Nursery Openings

Infant and Toddler Position openings at the Nursery

Part time hours: 7:30am-1230 pm & 12:30-5:30 pm 5 days a week.

If you are interested please reach out to Karlene Snipe Director at 973-763-4040 ext.1 or email karlene@thenurseryatols.org Can you commit one hour per week to help an innocent child during this campaign?

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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 <u>olssvdp@aol.com</u> 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, OCTOBER 10, 2020

Jean Kubilus 5:30 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020

- People of the Parish 8:00 AM
- 10:00 AM Mario & Mary Inguaggiato
- All Rosarians Living & Deceased 11:30 AM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2020

9:00 AM Sonia de Reyes

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 Carolina Sanchez – 3rd Anniversary 7:00AM 12:00 PM Paul Magliaro

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2020

- 7:00 AM Grace DiMauro
- 12:00 PM Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020

James Conheeney – 1st Anniversary 7:00AM Christian Mompremier - Special 12:00 PM Intention

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2020

- Jake Weber 7:00AM
- 12:00 PM For an end to abortion

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2020

- Msgr. Francis R. Seymour 8:30 AM
- 12:00 PM For those who have no one to pray for them

VIGIL MASS OCTOBER 17, 2020

5:30 PM George Dennis Sr.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

- People of the Parish 8:00 AM The Mompremier Family 10:00 AM Angelo J. Magliaro – 6^{th} 11:30 AM
- Anniversary

IN MEMORIAM

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

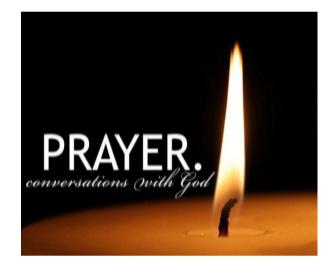
This week's Sanctuary Candle in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of Margaret Glenn. Requested by Thomas Maddi.

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, Melissa O'Brien, Rita Arena, John Colaku and Pat Bendrot.



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