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MASSES: 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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> October 13, 2019 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A MESSAGE FROM FR. BRIAN

In the classic novel "Robinson Crusoe," Crusoe is shipwrecked on a deserted island, where he'll spend the next 27 years of his life. He, of course, had much to lament as he contemplated his dire situation. But instead of giving in to hopelessness, he made a list: on one side, he wrote down all of his problems. On the other side, he wrote down all of his blessings. For example, on the problem side he wrote that he had very little in the way of clothes. On the blessing side, he said that wasn't really a problem because he was in a warm climate. On the problem side, he wrote that he had lost all of his provisions. On the blessing side, he wrote that he could deal with that because on the island there was plenty of fresh fruit and water. And so the list went. Robinson had decided to be thankful for the way that God was providently providing for him. What he was doing was not simply seeing silver linings around the clouds in his life. Instead, he had made the decision to recognize the providential hand of God and to be thankful for it.

It's easy for us to find ourselves shipwrecked on an island of despair as we focus on the many problems and challenges we face. Heaven knows we all have those. The antidote to being overwhelmed by our woes is to take inventory of the many ways that we have been blessed by God. Gratitude to God for the graces and blessings in our lives is such an easy thing for us to practice, but too often we forget to do so, instead focusing on the negatives.

In this Sunday's Gospel, ten men are healed of leprosy, but only 1 of them glorified God for his miraculous healing and he alone returned to Jesus to thank Him. What an incredible display of ingratitude. It must have been hurtful to Jesus.

A grateful heart is a reminder to us that God is our Provider. One way to show our gratitude is to include some time every day to give thanks to God for that day's blessings. And a good time to do that is before going to bed. Each of us should be in the habit of making a nightly examination of conscience (an examen). How do we do that? Well, during my first year in seminary (1999), my spiritual director taught me how to do it and it includes thanking God for His providence over us during the course of the day. I still have the examen that he typed up for me and I keep it folded up in my breviary (my prayer book). I'm happy to share it with you (which takes about 7-8 minutes to do):

- 1. Invoke the assistance of the Holy Spirit, asking for light, self-knowledge, honesty, and the strength to be demanding with myself.
- 2. In God's presence, recognize that I am creature before the Creator, a child before the Father, a sinner in need of grace and mercy.
- 3. Slowly go over the gifts and graces of the day, both general and specific, in order to thank God as He deserves, recognizing that everything come from His infinite love.
- 4. How have I responded to His abundant love:
 - Adherence to His holy will
 - Substantial humility and dependence on Him
 - Trusting confidence in His love
 - Openness to sacrifice out of love for Him
- 5. Particular points of examination (i.e., how have I sinned against God or my neighbor today?)
- 6. Thank Him for victories and progress; humbly ask forgiveness for my infidelities and failure.
- 7. Make a resolution to do better tomorrow, with Mary's help.

The Alleluia verse in today's liturgy urges that "In all circumstances, give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." That is not something we do only on the 4th Thursday of November (Thanksgiving Day), but rather something we should be doing every day.

Grateful blessings,

7. Brian

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THE SACRAFICIAL GIVING OF OUR				
PARISHIONERS				
October 6 th	Week 15	Y. to Date		
Collection	\$12,708	\$177,076		
Avg. Budget	\$13,269	\$199,038		

<u>Columbus Day</u>

Monday October 14th is Columbus Day and we will have one Mass only in the Upper Church at 9:00 am.

Think About It

Peace building through active nonviolence is the natural and necessary complement to the Church's continuing efforts to limit the use of force by the application of moral norms; she does so by her participation in the work of international institutions and through the competent contribution made by so many Christians to the drafting of legislation at all levels. Jesus himself offers a "manual" for this strategy of peacemaking in the Sermon on the Mount. The eight Beatitudes (cf. Mt 5:3-10) provide a portrait of the person we could describe as blessed, good and authentic. Blessed are the meek, Jesus tells us, the merciful and the peacemakers, those who are pure in heart, and those who hunger and thirst for justice - Pope Francis Sandra Carless: Peace and Justice Committee

Men's Retreat Day!

Men of the parish are invited to join us for a day of reflection/retreat on *Saturday, Nov 9, at St Joseph Shrine in Stirling, NJ.* The program will include two presentations, time for private reflection and prayer, Mass, and an opportunity for confession. It will start at 9:00 AM and end around 3:00 PM. Fr Peter Okafor will be our spiritual leader for the day. The event is sponsored by the Wednesday Morning Men's Prayer Group. The cost is \$40.00 and includes a continental breakfast and full hot meal for lunch. Car pooling will be available.

For reservations or questions, please contact Len Mrozak (<u>Imrozak@aol.com</u> / 908 872-4968) or Greg Tobin (<u>gmgso@aa.org</u> / 973 818-2547).

Facebook

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

Saint Gianna Beretta Molla Pro-Life <u>Ministry</u>

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Everyone loves the beauty and innocence of a baby. As an expression of that love, our parish announces an adoption program for young and old alike, beginning this month. The members of our parish community will have the opportunity to spiritually adopt a child who is newly conceived. You see, not all babies are allowed to be born. In fact, almost 4,000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. It is these babies, who are in danger of having their lives ended before birth, that you are being asked to spiritually adopt.

You may adopt a baby individually or as a family by signing a pledge card, which you will find at our pro-life table in the vestibule. You may name the child for whom you will be praying, thereby giving the baby the humanity he or she deserves. You will also be asked to pray a simple daily prayer for this baby.

Monthly reports will be posted in the bulletin describing your baby's development over nine months. If you would also like to receive these updates via email, please

contact elena.santoliquido@gmail.com.

There are millions of babies in our country who are in desperate need of your prayers. Please spiritually adopt one and share the love for life that God has given you!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE — To participate, contact Lisa Hart at <u>lisa@lifeneteducation.org</u> or at 973-769-4422.

"Give us the grace — when the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life." — St. John Paul II To be part of our ministry or for more info, contact Elena @ elena.santoliquido@gmail.com or Katharine at <u>katharinetownsend@hotmail.com</u>. Follow us on Facebook at <u>facebook.com/olsprolife</u> or on Instagram @olsprolife.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Would you like to acquire a greater resolution from the Sunday Gospel and Homily? The Men's Prayer Breakfast is the place to be. Join other men every Wednesday morning at 6 a.m. in the lower church. "Let your good spirit lead you to me on a level path" Rise and Shine with the Lord.

The Parish Staff

Rev. Brian X. Needles, Administrator Rev. Richard Pfannenstiel, Parochial Vicar John M. Inguaggiato, Deacon Walter Wiggins, Deacon Sr. Mary Selina McHugh, S.C.C., Pastoral Associate Ms. Judy Foley, Principal Jennifer Noll, Catechetical Coordinator Christopher Kaiser, Youth Minister Glenn E. Devitt, Music Director/Organist Karlene Campbell, Nursery Director Charles Noun, Business Manager

Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, may young people in our parish hear your call and follow your voice as they discern their vocations. Lead your people to heaven through the ministry of holy priests and consecrated men and woman. Jesus, we trust in you! Amen

Live Mass Broadcast

Please tune into Seton Hall Pirate Radio WSOU 89.5 FM to hear Our Lady of Sorrows 10:00 am Mass on Sundays.

Sponsor Certificates

A reminder that in order 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.

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!



A SPECIAL GIFT FROM YOUR PARISH

Enjoy a free subscription to <u>formed.org</u> where you can stream some good videos, audio talks, new movies, and e-books. Formed has <u>Opening the Word</u>, a short video that goes along with the Sunday readings(a good way to prepare for Holy Mass) Looking to the summer you might like to read some good e-books and have some family and friends time viewing a good movie. Visit the web, <u>formed.org</u> Enter our parish code **RJCHGZ** on the home page. Create a personal account with your email and password. <u>Start enjoying the best</u> <u>Catholic content all in one place!!</u>

**Note: once you set up your own account you no longer will need the parish code.

Parish Bulletin

A reminder that if you are ever away, you can always read our weekly parish Bulletin on our parish website at: <u>www.olschurch.com</u>. Simply click the link for "Bulletin".

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. Please know that it may take a month or two for the envelopes to stop coming.

Digital Newsletter

Please sign up for Our Lady of Sorrows Digital newsletter today! Go to our website main page under news and events. <u>http://www.olschurch.com</u>

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Our Lady of Sorrows School News Learn Serve Lead Succeed

Meet Parker Hamilton an Our Lady of Sorrows School 7th grader who is the Our Lady of Sorrows School September 2019 Volunteer of the Month!

Parker's mom says he "likes to volunteer and help people that have food insecurities" Last year he collected and donated \$550 to the food pantry at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. This summer Parker remembered that Ms. Cahill from the OLS Food Pantry told him that they would use the money to buy shelf-stable milk because it's one of the items that they never receive because of the cost.

This summer Parker's grandmother passed away and she too volunteered at soup kitchens and cooked food to feed the homeless in Newark. Parker decided to collect the milk over the summer and donate it to the pantry in her honor. His mother Patricia said it was his way of coping with the loss. His initial goal was to collect 50 boxes and he got 92. Without hesitation, he bought the additional 8 with his own allowance money to make it 100 boxes of shelf-stable milk! In addition, Parker volunteered at the South Orange library this summer and he donated 4 boxes of books to the kids that ate food at the breakfast and lunch food program that Maplewood ran this summer at Maplecrest Park.

Patricia Hamilton, Parker's mother, said she knows Parker's Grandmother "is up there smiling down at him". Patricia added that his grandmother "was always talking to the grandkids about the importance of being of service and giving back to those in need, and we're so happy that he's taken her advice."

Parents who are interested in sending their children to OLS School (Pre-K, K-8) are encouraged to schedule a school tour as soon as possible! Visit www.ourladyofsorrowsschool.org or call 973.762.5169. See all that Our Lady of Sorrows has to offer!



Registration Form Archdiocese of Newark Marian Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception - Washington, DC Saturday, October 26, 2019

Our Lady of the Sorrows Church – 217 Prospect Street, South Orange, NJ Cost: \$25 for Adults Children 15 & younger: \$20 Bus Departs from OLS at 6:30 am Returns to OLS at 10:00 pm

Please complete and send to:

Our Lady of Sorrows Church 217 Prospect St. South Orange, NJ 07079 Attn. Pilgrimage

Name:	Attendee 2 Name:	Adult / Child
Address:	Attendee 3 Name:	Adult / Child
Home Phone:	Attendee 4 Name:	Adult / Child
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Make checks payable to Our Lady of Sorrows Church

Add any additional names, address, and telephone #'s below or on the back of this form.

Contact Deacon Walter Wiggins for additional information at 973-224-6919 or deaconwalt@outlook.com

Thank you!



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019

5:30 PM Annabeth Rose Ebert

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019

- 8:00 AM People of the Parish
- 10:00 AM Rosarians Living & Deceased
- 11:30 AM Lucy Iantosca

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019

9:00 AM Zita Pogany

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 , 2019

- 7:00 AM Charles Olievieri
- 12:00 PM Tadeusz Kozlowski & deceased Members of the Budzyn Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019

- 7:00 AM Russell Pace Sr.
- 12:00 PM Dr. Henry McCabe

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019

7:00AM Charles Chukwuemeka Onwuka12:00 PM Maria Luisa Arana

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2019

7:00AM Russell Pace Sr.
12:00 PM Angelo Magliaro – 50th Anniversary

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2019

8:30 AM Eddie Hopkins 12:00 PM Martin Varrallo

VIGIL MASS OCTOBER 19, 2019

5:30 PM Charles Silano

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019

8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:00 AM	Margaret Higgins
11:30 AM	Deceased Members of the
	Inguaggiato Family

IN MEMORIAM

This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **Angelo J. Magliaro**. Requested by Jennie Magliaro.

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.

<u>Music Ministry</u>

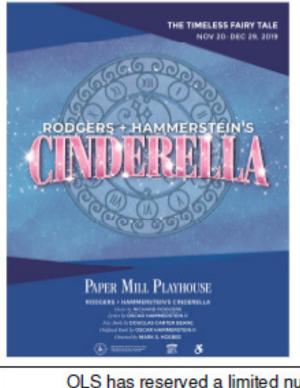
Donations to support our Music Ministry are gratefully accepted. Donations are applied toward the purchase of printed choral music and instrumentalists for holiday liturgies, concerts & special occasions.

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, Sr. Theresia Maria Holtschlag, George Richmond Files Jr., and Beth Hebron.



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Join fellow OLS Families For a fun evening at the Paper Mill Playhouse Sunday, December 1, 2019 7:00pm to see Cinderella!

OLS has reserved a limited number of tickets at the special				
group rate of \$35.00 per ticket (adults and kids).				
Seats are on the rear sides of the orchestra.				
Complete the tear off form below and mail/deliver your check				
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Name:		Make check payable to:		
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