

Our Lady of Sorrows Church

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*Jesus,
I Trust in You.*

Divine Mercy Sunday

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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April 28, 2019

2nd Sunday of Easter

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BRIAN

Mother Angelica - the Poor Clare Nun who founded EWTN - tells a story about Divine Mercy. She was at a beach in California, standing near the surf. A big wave came in and the water washed over her sandals. A drop of water hit her hand and she looked at it. Then she looked out to the vast sea. She heard Our Lord's voice speaking inside her, "Angelica, that drop represents all your sins, all your imperfections and all your frailties. Throw it in the ocean." She threw it back. Then she heard Our Lord say, "The ocean is my mercy. Now if you looked for that drop, would you ever find it?" Mother Angelica replied, "No, Lord, never."

She then told her TV audience that their sins are like that drop in the ocean. She said, "Every day, every minute of the day, throw your drop in the ocean of His mercy. Then, don't worry, just try harder."

Oftentimes we spend too much time focusing on our failings - and not enough on God's Mercy. This Sunday, Jesus wants to give us the right perspective. Today's Gospel takes place a few days after the disciples had let Jesus down in His moment of greatest need. They had all made confident declarations of loyalty. But, when trouble came, they ran away like frightened children. What was Jesus' reaction? He said, "Peace be with you." At that moment their failings became like a drop of water in the ocean of Divine Mercy.

Today, on this 2nd Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. This Feast was established by Pope John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska on April 30, 2000. St. Faustina was born in Poland in 1905, the third of ten children. When she was almost 20, she entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. In the 1930s, Sr. Faustina received from Our Lord a message of mercy that she was told to spread throughout the world. She was asked to become the apostle and the secretary of God's mercy, a model of how to be merciful to others, and an instrument for reemphasizing God's plan of mercy for the world.

The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness.

So what should be our response to God extending to us His Divine Mercy? First, accept His mercy, especially in the confessional. It's in the confessional that we most clearly and in a sacramental way encounter God's Divine Mercy. It's in the confessional that Jesus invites us to throw our sins into the ocean of His mercy.

And secondly, we can respond to God's Divine Mercy by extending our mercy, our forgiveness, toward those who have hurt us. Granted, that's not always an easy thing to do. But it's the Christian thing to do. It's what Jesus did from the Cross when He forgave those who were crucifying Him. If we expect to receive mercy, we must be willing to give it.

Today, on this Feast of Divine Mercy, we pray in the words taken from the *Diary of St. Faustina*: "O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in you!"

Divine Mercy Sunday Blessings,



THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

April 21 st	Week 42	Y. to Date
Collection	\$5,762	\$542,468
Avg. Budget	\$4,000	\$593,647
Easter Collection		\$37,663
Easter Budget		\$55,000

Reflections on Catechism

514 Many things about Jesus of interest to human curiosity do not figure in the Gospels. Almost nothing is said about his hidden life at Nazareth, and even a great part of his public life is not recounted. What is written in the Gospels was set down there "so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name."

Thanks from the Food Pantry

A very special THANK YOU for the successful Spring/Easter/Passover Distribution on April 13 - to the 25 who helped during the weekend, and to all of you who keep our pantry going (and thriving!), month after month. Because of you, we were able to serve 165 patrons with groceries, milk, sweets, fresh produce, extra proteins, toothbrushes & paste, and laundry detergent. Our Children's Book Pantry gave away over 100 books!

We are so fortunate to have support of the OLS Parish and its members, the SOMA community, and local organizations such as FeedSOMany, Rent Party, and MEND, of which we are a proud member pantry. Along with the time and energy each of you contribute, the combination is formidable. Thank you, volunteers, for being on the front lines with grace, dignity, and respect for those in need. PS Our next big distribution - around July 4th - will focus on child nutrition, as school feeding programs stop for the summer. Stay tuned, and sign up here to join our team: <http://bit.ly/OLSPANTRY>

Pro-Life Ministry News

Mother's Day Brunch on Sunday, May 12, following the 11:30 Mass (*updated*)
Gift baskets for the Little Sisters of the Poor
(*More information to follow*)

More Events...

Focus on the Family event on Saturday, May 4, in Times Square, called *Alive from New York*. A doctor will perform a live 4D ultrasound of a pre-born baby. The event will also include a live musical performance and speakers. For more information or to register, please contact Mike at m.moore.nj@gmail.com or Elena at elena.santoliquido@gmail.com.

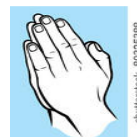
Mark your calendars for our next meeting on Saturday, May 4, at 10:00 A.M. in the lower church. To become part of our ministry, please contact Katharine at katharinetownsend@hotmail.com, Gina at gmargolies@msn.com, or Elena at elena.santoliquido@gmail.com. All are welcome!

The mission of our Pro-Life Ministry is to promote the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. We advocate for the unborn, elderly, people with disabilities, and those otherwise disadvantaged.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." — Jeremiah 1:5

The Nursery

Is looking for 2 potential employees for the Nursery. The hours are 7pm - 1 pm Monday through Friday. Experience preferred but also willing to train. Ages 1-3 yrs old. Email karlene@thenurseryatols.org or call 9737634040 ext.1





Stewardship Corner

Our Parish needs your help. Will you answer the call?

Our Food Pantry is in need of volunteers to help organize the food donations during the week and to help on Saturday mornings as needed. Contact Kate Cahill for more information: katecahill50@gmail.com

Irish Mass & Dinner at Seton Hall

Seton Hall University Alumni Relations and the Pirates of Irish Persuasion & Extraction (PIPE) Alumni Club—Seton Hall University's alumni club that celebrates Irish culture—will sponsor the 9th Annual Irish Mass, celebrated by Rev. Daniel Cahill, in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception on Seton Hall's South Orange campus at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 3. Parts of the Mass will be said in Irish, and parts in English. The musical selections for the Mass will include Irish-inspired hymns and cantor solos sung in the Irish language.

Following the Mass will be an Irish dinner at 7:00 p.m. in the Chancellor's Suite of the Bishop Dougherty University Center, featuring Irish entrees and desserts from Town Hall Deli. Enjoy a pipe and drum performance by members of St. Columcille United Gaelic Pipe Band, 2018 All-Ireland Champions. All at the dinner will be entered to win fabulous door prizes! Free will donations will be accepted for the Division of Volunteer Efforts' (DOVE's) work with St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark.

Join us for this evening of celebration of Irish heritage and Catholic faith!

Tickets for the dinner are \$15 per adult and \$10 for children ages 12 and under. Order your tickets for the dinner no later than Friday, April 26 via www.shu.edu/PIPEDINNER. Please contact Brian O'Malley, Director of Alumni Clubs, at brian.omalley@shu.edu or 973-378-9818 with any questions.

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.

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!**

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.**

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.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

5:30 PM Karen Kirk Sedovic – 18th
Anniversary

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Deceased Members of the
Inguaggiato Family
11:30 AM Bernadino & Gaetano Fastiggi

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2019

7:00 AM Donald Salifuri
12:00 PM Regina Jeronimo

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019

7:00 AM David Walrod
12:00 PM Manuel D. Silva

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019

7:00 AM Cecilia Oshogwe & All Souls in
Purgatory
12:00 PM The Silla Family

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019

7:00AM Maryann Capano
12:00 PM Harry Trismen

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019

7:00AM Dorothy A. Brown
12:00 PM Patricia J. Smith – 19th Anniversary

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

8:30 AM Marie Criscuolo
12:00 PM Carmen & Robert Perez – Special
Intention

VIGIL MASS MAY 4, 2019

5:30 PM Stasia Borowicz

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Lambusta
& Abramo Familes
11:30 AM Rev. Ocie Lacy Sr. - Centennial

IN MEMORIAM

This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Upper Church is being offered in loving memory of **Rose & Joseph Riccio**. Requested by Ricki Falcetano. This week's **Sanctuary Candle** in the Lower Church is being offered in loving memory of **Carol Pascone**. Requested by Liz Degnan.

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, Gloria Renner, Jerome Pallo, Nico Cipriano, Rose Merritt, Sonia McIntyre, Craig McLean, Austin Dukes, Isabella Vacchiano, Patricia Be, Kathleen Fontenello, Kathleen Ciambuschini, Angie Sena, Fred Mesot, Diane Silver, Jesse House, Kathleen Lorenzo, Joan O'Brien, Amy Dombrowski, Olivia Frances Cady, Brenda Johnston, Claudette Englesk, Jeffrey Pierre, Teresa Mckilop, Sal Maisano, Cooper Owens, Dolores McNany, Carmela Crooks, John DiEsso, Lewis Berkenstock, Ellen Warshaw, Mark Davonski, Angelina Ciambuschini, Margaret Elizabeth Evans, Nicholas Ciambuschini, Donna Moghrabi, Doreen Carmiche, Rosetta Karas, Paul R. Ciambuschini, Josh Papp, Mary Lou Perrini, Jessica Darling, Roberta Mariam Kelly, Kristen Buttros, Jude Greenleaf, Elena Baiz Sanchez, Robert Hines, Margaret Farrell, Jeanine Panzone, John Sabbak, Michael D. Greenleaf, Sofia Vallejos, Beth Hebron, David Dorcy, Linda Read, Ronald Tylor, Jim O'Connor, Angelina Zurruro, Daniel Callaghan, Frank Erickson, Michael Maffei, Allison Wessel, Rev. Paul Power, MaryAnn Cappaze, Nick Elliot, Brian Hartnett, Owen McNany, Kevin Chang, Peggy O'Reilly, Elizabeth Stuart, Jill Vacciano, Marie Somers, Michael Davis, Bill Aber, Neville Moore, Jerry McElroy, Jane O'Donoghue, George Richmond Files Jr., Megan More, Julie Edmonds, Marie Manno, Melanie Zappo, Ludgarda Rosa, Dale Marshall, and Eileen Muench.

Parish Calendar of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Function</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
<u>Sun 4/28</u>	RCIA	9:00 am	Seton
	Baptism	1:00 pm	Upper Church
	Divine Mercy	2:00 pm	St. Joseph Hall
	Piedmont Choral	5:00 pm	Upper Church
<u>Mon 4/29</u>	CCD	3:45 pm	Cafeteria
	CCD	7:00 pm	Cafeteria
	Holocaust Meeting	7:30 pm	Seton
<u>Tues 4/30</u>	CCD	3:45 pm	Cafeteria
<u>Wed 5/1</u>	1 st Eucharist Practice	5:30 pm	Upper Church
	NA	7:00 pm	Cafeteria
	Piedmont Choral	7:30 pm	Chapel
	Youth Group Leaders	7:30 pm	Youth Room
<u>Thurs 5/2</u>	SCS Rehearsal	3:30 pm	Upper Church
	1 st Eucharist Practice	5:30 pm	Upper Church
	Following Christ	6:45 pm	St. Joseph Hall
	Parish Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm	Upper Church
<u>Sat 5/4</u>	Pro Life	10:30 am	Kateri
	AA	1:00 pm	Cafeteria
	First Eucharist	5:30 pm	Upper Church
<u>Sun 5/5</u>	RCIA	9:00 am	Seton
	1 st Eucharist	11:30 am	Upper Church
	Holocaust Memorial Service		Upper Church
	Youth Group	7:30 pm	St. Joseph Hall

The Parish Staff

Rev. Brian X. Needles, Administrator
Rev. Richard Pfannenstiel, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Peter Okafor, Priest in Residence
Deacon John M. Inguaggiato
Deacon John Baltus
Deacon Walter Wiggins
Sr. Mary Selina McHugh, S.C.C., Pastoral Associate
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

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