

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH



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Saturday and Sunday - Closed

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December 30, 2018

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekday Masses: Monday - Saturday 7:30 AM

Saturday evening Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Masses: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Holy Day Masses: 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Summer Sunday Mass Schedule:

June 30, 2019 - September 1, 2019

Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM only

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is held the third Sunday of the month after the 10:30 AM Mass. Arrangements for the Baptism should be made at least one month in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please notify the rectory or priest in the event of a serious illness. Visits to the home-bound and those in hospitals are made by Priests, Deacons and Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements should be made one year in advance of the proposed marriage according to the Common Policy of the Bishops of the Province of New Jersey. Either the bride or groom must be registered with Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

RELIGIOUS VOCATION

Women and men who feel called to the Religious Life and men called to the Holy Orders should contact the Vocation Office 973-497-4365 or speak with a parish priest.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (R.C.I.A.)

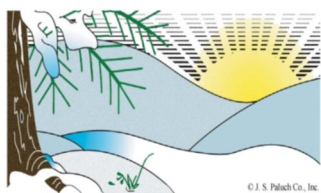
If you have not received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, or Confirmation, and are over 18 years of age, and are interested in membership in the Catholic Church, please call the rectory office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Welcome! Every Catholic should be registered in the parish. Letters of testimony for Godparents and Sponsors cannot be given unless one is registered. All parishioners should be active in parish life and be known to one of the parish priests. Stewardship (church support) is a serious responsibility of every Catholic. We urge all parishioners to make regular use of their collection envelopes. When moving, please notify the rectory office.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS MISSION STATEMENT

We are Catholic Christians of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish who are conscious of the plan of God for the salvation of all. We praise the Lord in our everyday lives by sharing our faith and talents with each other for the continued growth of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Community. We wish to live the Beatitudes of Jesus and put them into practice in our daily lives as we answer His call to evangelization.



**THE HOLY FAMILY
OF JESUS, MARY, AND
JOSEPH
DECEMBER 30, 2018**

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a

HOME IS WHERE THE FAMILY IS

The idea, dream, and reality of family is so strong and durable that we use it to describe all that is best about human gatherings. We speak of the family of nations, of our church and parish families. The greatest compliment we can pay a friend or gracious host is to say that we feel at home with them, we feel part of the family.

Families are the first crucibles in which love is tested and tempered. Jesus himself was one of three people who lived in the shadow of each other. This family, like our own, did not always “get it right,” but they always tried to. These three “amateurs” were on holiday, and one of them got lost. Two were worried sick and took great measures to find the third, a boy after all, who was seeking the meaning of his calling. He found his vocation—to do his Father’s work—but he also returned home with his parents.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today’s feast is new as feasts go, and it sets us this year in a very modern crisis. Amid conflicting schedules and commitments, a young man, testing the limits, has strayed from his parents and gone off to the big city. Mary and Joseph search frantically, only to find the child Jesus in the temple, conversing with the elders and scholars of the law, who are amazed at his wisdom.

In the time of Jesus, the temple was the religious center of Jewish ritual. Outside of Jerusalem, people gathered in the synagogues, centers of learning, for daily prayer and study. Still, everyone longed to journey to the temple to participate in the offerings, and to fulfill certain obligations of the law that could only be done there. On this feast, we catch a glimpse of the family of Jesus: parents dealing with the normal stresses of raising a child, and yet completely grounded in the ways of faith and tradition.

There has always been an appreciation in Christianity for the value of pilgrimage—the journey to holy places that is a symbol of our life’s journey to God, and a sense of connection to important events in our family history. During the Christmas season, many of us undertake pilgrimages to the family homestead for festival meals, to the parishes where we were formed in the faith, or perhaps even to a beautiful manger scene or festival of lights. There are few better days than this in our calendar for spending time with the family, especially on a short pilgrimage to a favorite place. Just make sure that no one gets left behind!

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Happy New Year!!!
As we begin a New Year 2019, may your heart be filled with thanksgiving for all the gifts you received from God. May the Lord bless you and your loved ones and richly reward you all and grant you a **Healthy, Peaceful, Prosperous and Blessed New Year.** May his Mother Mary be with our Parish always.
Fr. John, Fr. Juan Carlos, Fr. Patrick, Deacon Len and Deacon John.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE - THANK YOU TO ALL!!!

The generosity of the people of this parish has shone brightly in the many “Giving Tree” gifts that were delivered throughout Kearny.

We spread Joy and Peace of Jesus to the 10 families consisting of 40 children. A sincere heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in making the ornaments, donating gifts for the needy, and to the volunteers who helped with sorting and delivering the gifts.

We also thank the employees at Clara Maass Hospital who again supported our Giving Tree with their Adopt a Family program.

For some of the recipients these are the only gifts they will receive, but because of your generosity they can experience the joy of opening a present that was selected *just for them.*



*“We can do no great things,
only small things with great love.”
~Mother Teresa*

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADDRESSING
ABUSE
THE ARCHDIOCESE ACTS TO PROTECT
YOUTH AND CHILDREN**

The first responsibility of the Archdiocese is to protect children and young people and to provide healing and compassion to victims of abuse.

The Archdiocese of Newark requires all staff and volunteers working with children and youth to undergo background checks and receive sexual abuse awareness training. More than 20,000 Clergy, Religious and Lay people have received this training and undergone criminal background checks.

Nearly 95,000 children annually receive safe environment training through our Catholic schools and through opportunities offered to public school students in our religious education programs.

The Archdiocese makes use of the services of a Licensed Clinical Social Worker to be the first contact with individuals bringing allegations of abuse so that counseling and other support services can be extended immediately – even before a determination can be made regarding the validity of an allegation.

A full-time Office of Child and Youth Protection dedicated to supporting the work of protecting children works with parishes and schools to ensure that safe environments are in place throughout the Archdiocese.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, December 29
Confessions 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

SUNDAY, December 30
No CCD classes

Classes resume January 6, 2019

MONDAY, December 31

Holy day Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM

Rectory Office open 9AM—12 Noon

TUESDAY, January 1

**Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God**

Holy day of Obligation

9:00 AM Mass

Rectory office is closed.

WEDNESDAY, January 2

Bible Study with Fr. John at 7:30 PM

St. Cecilia Rectory Basement

SATURDAY, January 5

Confessions 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

SUNDAY, January 6

CCD Classes resume



LECTOR/MINISTER SCHEDULE

January 5/6

5:00 PM	J. Mackesy	L. Mackalonis
8:00 AM	A. Martinez	C. Danzi
10:30 AM	W. Kluss	L. Muldoon

ALTAR SERVERS

January 5/6

5:00 PM	Kristen, Kayleen, Emily, Eileen & Vincent
8:00 AM	Nicole, Natasha, Izabella & Giselle
10:30 AM	Kayla, Savannah, Alexandria, Vanessa & Haley



The 1st Collection for December 16th: \$1206.00

Archdiocesan Monthly Assessment: \$405.00

Due to the Holiday production schedule, the collection for December 23rd will appear in a later bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity!

Let us remember all our family members, loved ones, and fellow parishioners who have died; may God reward them for their good deeds done in faith. Let us also pray for those who are sick at home or in a hospital, especially **Ray Blair, Anne & Helen Caveney, Dolores DeFazio, Elaine & Janette & Harry Faulk, Kathleen Fudali, Ted Hirschi, James Kashauer, Tom Kashauer, John Keogh, Barbara Lore, Lois Mannion, Kathleen Podlaski, Diane Sahar, Jose Sanchez, June Struzienski, Iris Torres Colon** and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".

May God grant them healing.



Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

Monday

7:30 AM

5:00 PM

Tuesday

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9:00 AM

Wednesday

7:30 AM

Thursday

7:30 AM

Friday

7:30 AM

Saturday

7:30 AM

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

December 29

Special Intention of Maria Lago

December 30

Edmund Rokas

Req. Ruth and Rodger Ireland

Monica Osorio

Req. Sanchez Family

December 31

Deceased Priests of the Parish

Req. OLS

VIGIL MASS FOR HOLY DAY

Scott McBride

Req. Mom and Dad

January 1 - Holy day of Obligation

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

People of the Parish

Req. OLS

January 2

Priests of the Parish

Req. OLS

January 3

Souls in Purgatory

Req. OLS

January 4

Charles Kerr

Req. OLS

January 5

Deceased Members of the Parish

Req. OLS

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 5

Margaret Wenckus (1st Anniversary)

Req. Walter and Mary Wenckus

January 6

Marian Olechnowicz

Req. OLS

Martina Sullivan

Req. Paula Nahaczewski

THE ROSARY WILL BE PRAYED 20 MINUTES BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS.

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

December 30, 2018

ALTAR BREAD & WINE...

People of the Parish / OLS

SANCTUARY LAMP...

People of the Parish / OLS

ALTAR CANDLES...

People of the Parish / OLS



The Rectory office will be open from 9:00 AM until 12 Noon on Monday, December 31st. The office will be closed on New Year's Day and reopen on Wednesday, January 2nd, at 9:00 AM.

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