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August 16, 2020
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Saturday 7:30 AM
Saturday evening Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Masses:

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Holy Day Masses:

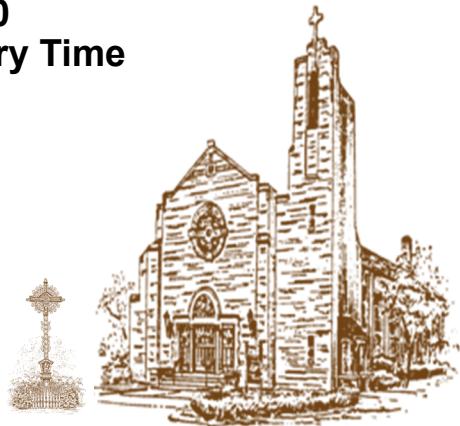
7:30 AM, 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Summer Sunday Mass Schedule:

June 28, 2020 - September 6, 2020

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. There are no Baptisms during Lent.

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.

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.

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.

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.



*O woman,
great is
your faith!*

MATTHEW 15:28

AUGUST 16, 2020

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE LORD WELCOMES ALL

All of us who ache to be accepted find lavish comfort in today's readings. Rich in mercy, the Lord welcomes all of us—no exceptions. Isaiah extends God's invitation to all nations, even to foreigners who often arouse suspicion from the "in crowd." Saint Paul takes advantage of these fearful suspicions by provoking the Israelites' jealousy: if even Gentiles can offer acceptable worship to the one true God, then God's chosen people should surely do the same. In a similar way, Jesus provokes his disciples in today's Gospel from Matthew. Bantering with a Canaanite woman, Jesus draws out her tremendous faith, which endures despite the typical rejection she faces from scornful Israelites. Whether we identify more with the privileged disciples or the marginalized Canaanite woman, we cannot mistake God's universal invitation to believe in the One who saves us.

REJECTED

At one time or another, we have all been rejected or ridiculed, left out of a conversation, or not invited to a party. It hurts to be excluded. God makes all things new, though, and our scriptures today invite us to turn over our aching hearts to the Lord. Some of us might feel reluctant to give our hearts to the Lord, especially if our suffering somehow involves God or the Church. Why pour out hearts to God, after all, if God seems to be the cause of our troubles? A tragic loss, a painful death, or an unavoidable catastrophe can disrupt or destroy our life plans. When people clumsily console us then, saying, "It's God's will," we can easily become suspicious of God and the almighty will. If we suffer from the sinful structures or actions of God's representatives and ministers in the Church, we might look with skepticism at the prayers of that same Church.

Even so, our Canaanite woman today persuades us not to lose hope. The disciples scorn her, complaining that she "keeps calling" out for help. Like irritable children, the disciples ask Jesus to "send her away." And just when we might expect Jesus to take her side, to scold the disciples and reward the woman's persistence, he shocks us by implying she is a dog. Undaunted, the woman accepts Jesus' remark and parlays its aggression into her own forceful plea: "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters."

ACCEPTED

The woman's faith is irresistible—to Jesus, and to us. Jesus grants her heart's desire, healing her daughter from that very moment. We too are won over by her indomitable confidence in the Lord. Truly, this woman is one of the heroes of the New Testament. When difficulties suffocate us and we feel turned away like a stray dog, we can recall the Canaanite woman's simple words: "Lord, help me."

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 56:1, 6–7
Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8
Romans 11:13–15, 29–32
Matthew 15:21–28



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 **Joseph Colamedici, Mary Calabrese, Maria Cunha, Kathleen Fudali, Gary Davitt, Ted Hirschi, Kathleen Podlaski, Barbara Russell, June Struzienski, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".**

May God grant them healing.



THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
WILL BE CELEBRATED AT SAINT CECILIA CHURCH ON
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020
3:00 PM

(REHEARSAL WILL TAKE PLACE WITH SPONSOR ON
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD, AT 2:00 PM.)

SAINT PIUS X (1835-1914) AUGUST 21

Presidential vetoes we understand. But imagine vetoing a papal election! Yet in the conclave of 1903, the Archbishop of Cracow (ironically, a predecessor in that office of Karol Wojtyla, the future John Paul II) vetoed the leading candidate on the order of the Austro-Hungarian emperor. Instead, the cardinals elected Giuseppe Sarto of Venice as Pius X, the first pope, after a succession of nobles and diplomats, to hail from humble origins. Nor did the papacy alter his endearing simplicity. Tailors eventually made his cassock cuffs detachable because he absentmindedly wiped his fountain pen on them, forgetting that his old black cassock had been replaced by papal white! Taking as his motto "To restore all things in Christ" (Ephesians 1:10), Pius condemned the theological innovations called "modernism," yet dramatically altered the then-common practice whereby people rarely received Communion for fear of unworthiness, mandating early First Communion and urging everyone to frequent reception. Refusing to bless troops assembled in Saint Peter's Square—"I bless peace, not war!"—he died brokenhearted as World War I engulfed Christian Europe despite his peacemaking efforts.

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GOOD EXAMPLE

A faithful Christian, illuminated by the rays of grace like a crystal, ought to illumine his neighbor with the light of good example, through word and deed.

—St. Anthony

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	August 15
5:00 PM	McBride and Pfluge Families Req. Dot McBride
Sunday	August 16
9:00 AM	Frank Abromaitis Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas
Monday	August 17
7:30 AM	Anne Caveney Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas
Tuesday	August 18
7:30 AM	Special Intentions for Teresa Manaois' Birthday Req. Family
Wednesday	August 19
7:30 AM	Thomas Kaiser Req. Theresa Tiberi
Thursday	August 20
7:30 AM	Brother Bernard Colleran, C.S.S.R. Req. Theresa Tiberi
Friday	August 21
7:30 AM	Anne Caveney Req. Theresa Tiberi
Saturday	August 22
7:30 AM	People of the Parish Req. OLS
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Saturday	August 22
5:00 PM	Barbara Lore Req. Loving Family
Sunday	August 23
9:00 AM	Robert Wolenski Req. Loretta Wolenski

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



MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK AUGUST 16, 2020

Altar Bread & Wine...
Sergio Sanchez / Irene Potts
Sanctuary Lamp...
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Altar Candles...
Sergio Sanchez / Irene Potts

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

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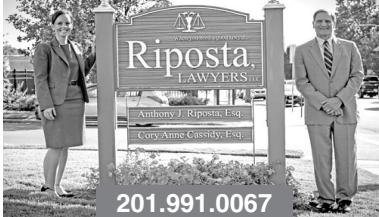
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