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September 20, 2020
25th 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:

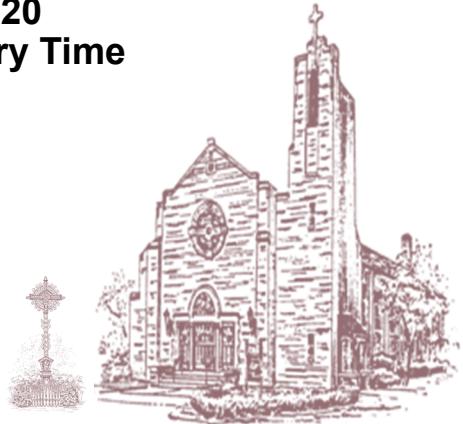
7:30 AM, 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Summer Sunday Mass Schedule:

June 27, 2021 - September 5, 2021

Saturday 5:00 PM;

Sunday 9:00 AM only



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.

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.



September 20, 2020

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The kingdom of heaven
is like a landowner
who went out at dawn
to hire laborers for his vineyard.

Matthew 20:1

LET GO

In our daily lives, and in prayer and worship, we encounter a God whom we don't fully understand. We sometimes meet a mysterious and surprising God, whose actions and designs are beyond us, "as high as the heavens are above the earth." Our readings this week describe the confusion, the joy, and the challenge of this encounter. The readings invite us to "let go." Isaiah invites us to let go of trying to fit God into our own comfortable ways of thinking. Paul, knowing that he might face death at any time, describes his joy over having let go of trying to control his future. Jesus' parable in the Gospel of Matthew challenges us to let go of limiting God's generosity to others. May our encounters with our mysterious but trustworthy God transform our hearts and minds, and deepen our trust in God.

A GENEROUS GOD

The parable in today's Gospel identifies a very strong human tendency to believe that everyone should get what they deserve. If we achieve more than others, we deserve to receive more: more money, more privilege, more honor. And so we anticipate that God will reward more liberally those who have done more for God.

Jesus says that God does things differently. The full day's wage in the story is like the gift of forgiveness and salvation, shared equally and abundantly with all. The full-day laborers complained that "you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden." They resented not being placed higher than the others, refusing to accept them as equals. Jesus is saying that, among God's people, there is no such pecking order. Regardless of background or achievements, we can accept everyone as brothers and sisters, and rejoice in God's generosity to everyone.

THE FIRST AND LAST

In today's parable, had the laborers who worked all day been paid first, they likely never would have known that the late-starters had been paid the same wage, and would not have become jealous. In the way the story is told, though, both the justice and the mercy of God are revealed. The landowner gave a just wage to those who worked all day, and he was generously merciful to those who worked less.

When Jesus says that "the last will be first and the first will be last," he points to the kingdom of God. This is a kingdom where oppression is ended and divisions between people are healed. God brings justice and mercy to a world that sorely needs them. In the book of Revelation, Jesus is called "the first and the last," the Alpha and Omega. In Jesus, the first and the last are brought together to heal God's world. When we work for justice and show mercy, we join in Jesus' healing ministry.

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 55:6–9
Psalm 145:2–3, 8–9, 17–18
Philippians 1:20c–24, 27a
Matthew 20:1–16a



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.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH ST. JUDE NOVENA



Come join us for 9 weeks for the Celebration of Holy Mass at 7:00 PM followed by the St. Jude Novena beginning Monday, September 21, 2020 and every Monday through November 16, 2020. Fr. John Wassell will be presenting the theme "The Apocalypse: A Study of the Book of Revelation."

September 21	Biblical Introduction
September 28	Prologue (Rev. 1:1-8)
October 5	Seven Letters (1:9-3:22)
October 12	Seven Seals (4:1-8:5)
October 19	Seven Trumpets (8:2-11:19)
October 26	Visions (11:19-15:4)
November 2	Seven Bowls (15:5-19:10)
November 9	Visions (19:11-21:8)
November 16	Epilogue (21:6-20)

Live-streamed on Our Lady of Sorrows Facebook Page.

2020-2021 CCD REGISTRATION

Our Lady of Sorrows is accepting registrations for the 2020-2021 Religious Education classes for Grades 1-8. New registrants must provide a copy of the child's Baptism Certificate and First Communion Certificate (if applicable) unless the sacraments were made here at Our Lady of Sorrows. Classes are scheduled to begin on October 4th. More information regarding the classes will follow.

Please note: At the present time, the bulletins and missalettes are not available in our Church according to the current guidelines of the Archdiocese of Newark. We have purchased the new missal books for one year beginning with Advent 2020. The missals are available as a memorial for a loved one at \$100.00 for a set of 20 missals. If you are interested in reserving a set of missals, kindly contact the office at (201) 998-4616. We will reserve a set for you. Only 10 sets will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. We thank you for your patience in this matter and for your continued support!

2021 MASS BOOK

Before we can open the 2021 Mass Book, there are still many weekday Masses available for 2020. If you would like a Mass intention for a loved one, please call the Rectory office for an available date. Thank you for supporting the mission of the Church.



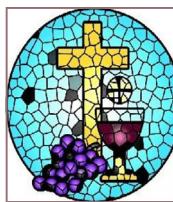
Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 PM	September 19 Richard Carlson 21st Anniversary Req. Patricia Carlson
Sunday 8:00 AM	September 20 Edmund Abromaitis Jr. Req. Loving Sister
10:30 AM	Barbara Lore Req. Loving Family
Monday 7:30 AM	September 21 Edward McBride Req. Dolores and Dennis Gonzalez
7:00 PM	Joseph Russell Req. Ray and Linda Mackalonis
Tuesday 7:30 AM	September 22 Anne Caveney Req. Golden 60's Club
Wednesday 7:30 AM	September 23 Raymond Blair Req. Dolores and Dennis Gonzalez
Thursday 7:30 AM	September 24 Juan Lago Req. Dolores and Dennis Gonzalez
Friday 7:30 AM	September 25 Angela Osorio Req. Marlene Sanchez
Saturday 7:30 AM	September 26 Carlos Leon Req. Marlene Sanchez

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 PM	September 26 Julio and Jose Esteves Req. Esteves Family
Sunday 8:00 AM	September 27 Maureen and Frank Laurina Req. Ann Smith and Family
10:30 AM	Rose and Frank Hetey Req. Kathleen Fudali

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



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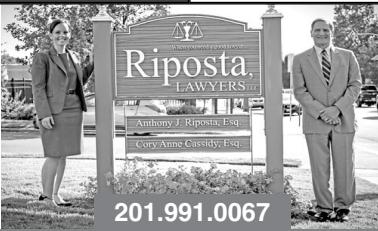


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