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## SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Saturday: 7:30 AM

Saturday evening Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses:

7:30 AM | 12:00 PM | 7:00 PM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

9 AM—12 PM

(The office is closed on Saturday & Sunday.)

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## The kingdom of God



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is like a mustard seed  
that is the smallest  
of all the seeds.  
But once it is sown,  
it springs up  
and becomes  
the largest of plants.

**Mark 4:31-32**

**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time • June 13, 2021**

## PARISH REGISTRATION

**All are Welcome!** New parishioners are welcome and encouraged to register at our parish. Registration forms are available at the Rectory office. When moving, please notify the Rectory office.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

During the summer, Baptism is held the third Sunday of the month after the 9:00 AM Mass. Arrangements for 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

Congratulations to our engaged couples! Arrangements should be made one year in advance of the proposed marriage.

## 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.

## 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.



# Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 13, 2021

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I, the Lord, bring low the high tree,  
lift high the lowly tree,  
wither up the green tree,  
and make the withered tree bloom.  
As I, the Lord, have spoken, so will I do.

Ezekiel 17:24

Today's scriptures connect the towering cedars of Lebanon from the prophet Ezekiel to the mustard plant of the famous parable of Jesus. Both plants represent the Kingdom of God. Both are also to be understood as symbols of the Church, where "birds of every kind shall dwell" (Ezekiel 17:23) and shelter in the cedar's branches, and the shade of the mustard plant's large branches provide dwelling for the "birds of the sky." Even today's psalm tells of the just one who is like a cedar flourishing in the house of the Lord.

Now, the Church is not the Kingdom, but rather a sacrament, a visible sign of it. They co-exist in the here-and-now but also in the "not yet." As Paul reminds us, we must constantly work to continue building and growing the Kingdom by everyday good works of "the just one." So we are all birds and just ones.

## "LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD . . ."

The Gospel of Mark is nothing if not a testament to the power of parables to illustrate the Good News through story. Jesus was a master storyteller, who understood the importance of using images and concepts to which his listeners could relate. A seed, a mustard plant, would symbolize one of Mark's signature focuses: the Kingdom of God.

Centuries earlier, the prophet Ezekiel proclaimed most poetically to the Israelites, recently liberated from Babylonian captivity, that their God was still their hope, their comfort, their rescue, and their shelter. Those refugees would understand the image of the towering cedar as a symbol of their kingdom, cut down, fallen, captured. By restoring their kingdom, their God was giving them a new creation (the replanted shoot) and a new covenant.

## THY KINGDOM COME . . .

Ezekiel said that God would tear off "a tender shoot" (17:22) for this replanting. What does this sound like? Why, Advent, of course, and specifically the words of the prophet Isaiah: "A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom" (Isaiah 11:1); and again in Isaiah's Messianic texts we hear: "He grew up before us like a tender shoot" (53:2). Jesse was the father of the great king David and, as we know, Jesus came to be that tender shoot, that blossom, the new Davidic King whose throne, the cross, was once a tree.

God's incarnation in Jesus, born fully human, is the fulfillment of the promise to Ezekiel of the renewed and restored cedar, the new Kingdom. That new creation and covenant exists for us in the Church, through the Holy Spirit making the seed planted within us grow, flourish, and spread. Thus we have the faith and courage to be that visible sign of the Kingdom bringing hope and renewal to the world. We must live Kingdom lives before we can convince others to do so.

**Today's Readings: Ez 17:22–24; Ps 92:2–3, 13–14, 15–16; 2 Cor 5:6–10; Mk 4:26–34**

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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, Maria Cunha, Kathleen Fudali, Gary Davitt, Ted Hirschi, Michael Najuch, Kathleen Podlaski, June Struzienski, Irene Zarbetski, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".

**May God grant them healing.**

## FATHER'S DAY CANDLES

Father's Day candle forms are available in the back of the Church. Place the completed form and \$10.00 offering in the collection basket or return to the Rectory office no later than Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. What a wonderful gesture to honor your father either living or deceased.

## FATHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUET JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>

All Masses on Father's Day including the Saturday Mass, will be offered for all fathers, living and deceased. Father's Day Mass cards are available in the Rectory office during office hours 9 AM—12 PM. Offering for each intention, including the card is \$5.00.

## FEAST OF FAITH

### THE PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

The altar is the focal point of our churches. It is a sign of Christ in our midst; indeed, it has been said that "the altar is Christ" (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4). The altar is a table "on which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated in mystery throughout the ages until Christ comes"; but it is also the place for a festive meal: "a table at which the Church's children assemble to give thanks to God and receive the body and blood of Christ" (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4).

Both these functions of the altar are clear in the rites for the preparation of the altar that follow the general intercessions, which remind us of the preparations we make at home for a festive meal. The deacon or altar servers come forward and, bowing, place a cloth known as a corporal (from the Latin for "body") over the altar cloth. They place the chalice, the cup to be used in the celebration of the Eucharist, and the *Sacramentary* or *Roman Missal*, which contains the prayers of the Mass, on the altar. These reverent preparations help us to focus on what is about to happen: the sharing of a holy meal, a solemn sacrifice.

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## WHILE ON VACATION...



Please remember the needs of our parish before you go away. We understand it has been a difficult year for many. But we still count on your continued support. We thank you for your generosity and may God bless you with a happy, healthy and safe vacation! For those parishioners going on vacation, please visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) to find Mass times at your vacation destination.

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday

5:00 PM

### June 12

McBride and Serafenas Families  
Req. Linda Yngelmo

### June 13

Laura Reu 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Req. Ermelinda Esteves

### June 14

Eleanor Lunney and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### June 15

Anthony and Alice Daunoras  
Req. Kathy Daunoras

### June 16

Matthew Mastrofippo and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### June 17

Tom Stanton and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### June 18

Edmund Rokas  
Req. Chris Danzi

### June 19

Rev. Msgr. John Sharnus  
Req. Gen and Al Mazur and Family

### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### June 19

Spiritual Bouquets

### June 20

Spiritual Bouquets

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

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

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### Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish / OLS

### Sanctuary Lamp...

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### Altar Candles...

People of the Parish / OLS

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The 1<sup>st</sup> collection for May 30<sup>th</sup>: \$855.00

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection May 30<sup>th</sup>: \$394.00

The 1<sup>st</sup> collection for June 6<sup>th</sup>: \$669.00

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for June 6<sup>th</sup>: \$414.00

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for the weekend of June 19/20 is for the Archdiocesan Monthly Assessment.  
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