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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 bread of God

*is that which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world.*

John 6:33

August 1, 2021

EIGHTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY
TIME



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

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.)

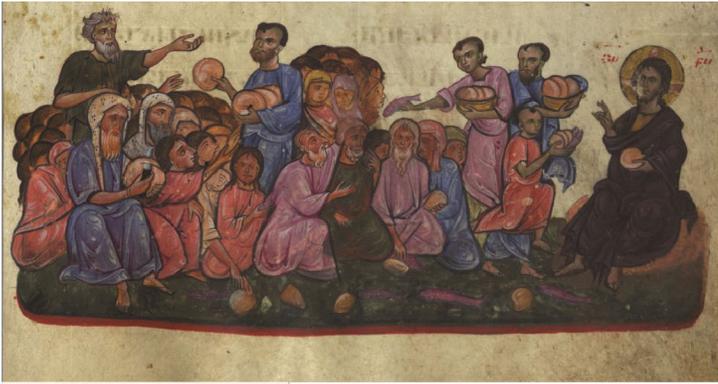
If you have not received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, or Confirmation, and are over 18 years of age, and are interested in membership in the Catholic Church, please call the Rectory office.

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.



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I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE;
WHOEVER COMES TO ME
WILL NEVER HUNGER,
AND WHOEVER BELIEVES IN ME
WILL NEVER THIRST.

JOHN 6:35

Today's Gospel is a sequel to last week's account of Jesus feeding a large crowd with five barley loaves and a few fish. Here, Jesus is challenging the crowd to see in the bread they have eaten a sign of God's generosity in providing for all the blessings in their lives, as well as the blessing of life itself. The first reading, from Exodus, recounts how the escaped Hebrew slaves were fed in the wilderness, first with quail, then with manna. The psalm is a later reflection on the manna as the bread from heaven and a blessing from God. The selection from the letter to the Ephesians sketches the image of putting away the "old self" and putting on the new, emphasizing that a person's life in Christ needs to differ from their previous life, just as the life of a free person differs from that of a slave.

SIGNS AND WONDERS?

Today's Gospel continues into a second day the narrative that had begun the day before when, after crossing the lake to look for Jesus, a large crowd are fed with five barley loaves and two fish. The following day (today's reading), after more lake crossings, the people who had been miraculously fed are again searching for Jesus. However, they do so (as Jesus puts it) "not because you saw signs, but because you ate the loaves and were filled" (John 6:6).

In John's Gospel, the word "sign" has a distinct meaning. At the wedding at Cana, after telling how Jesus turned water into wine, the Evangelist notes "Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs" that "revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him" (John 2:11). For John, signs are not just wonders to behold; they are about the revelation of God and a response of faith in Jesus.

OR MAYBE THE SIGN IS THE WONDER

When the crowd first arrives, Jesus notes that they had not appreciated the sign that he had already given; they are still focused on their physical hunger. When they ask for a sign, "that we may see and believe in you" (John 6:30), they refer to their ancestors who ate manna in the wilderness. Can Jesus top that? Can he give them more bread that will relieve them of their daily worries about going hungry?

Jesus reminds the crowd that it was not Moses who gave the "bread from heaven," but his Father. Further, the Father can give them the true bread from heaven that comes down and gives life to the world. There is a parallel in the Greek between working for food that perishes and doing the works of God, which is believing in Jesus as the one God has sent. This is the sign that the people missed the day before, the sign that Jesus is pointing out to them.

Like the Evangelist, the Church uses the word "sign" for its sacraments. Like the crowd, we are called to see similar "signs" of God's generosity in all the blessings of our lives.

Today's Readings: Ex 16:2–4, 12–15; Ps 78:3–4, 23–24, 25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20–24; Jn 6: 24–35

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 1, 2021

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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, Kathleen Podlaski, Jaxson Rivera, June Struzienski, Irene Zarbetski, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".**

May God grant them healing.

2021-2022 CCD REGISTRATION

Registrations are being accepted for all children, first grade and older, for Religious Education classes. Please keep in mind that two years of basic religious instruction are required for First Communion, and all children are required to continue religious education classes until they have been confirmed. Religious formation in their relationship with God and instruction in their faith is an important building block in a solid Catholic foundation. Since books and materials must be ordered ahead of time, we need your cooperation in this endeavor, so please register now.

New registrations: A copy of your child's Baptism certificate and First Communion (if applicable) is required (unless Sacraments were received here at Our Lady of Sorrows Church.) **Please register by August 29th.**

Children will attend 9:00 AM Sunday Mass followed by Religious Education classes.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process of welcoming new members into the Catholic Church. It is for those men and women who have not been baptized, received First Communion or Confirmation in the Catholic Church. Its main purpose is to assist prospective Catholics in their journey to become active members of the church. RCIA is held at St. Cecilia Church, Kearny. Please call Fr. John Wassell at St. Cecilia Parish Center office at (201) 991-1116 for more information.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Preface: Thanksgiving

The preface of the Mass has been called "a poem, the cry of joy and recognition, the song of the world discovering its salvation . . . the certitude of faith making hope spring forth" (Philippe Béguerie, quoted in *The Mass*, Lucien Deiss, The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, 1992, p. 70). The preface takes up the last words of the dialogue, and expresses briefly and simply why we are grateful, why it is right and just to give thanks and praise to God. On feast days, the preface sings of the specific mystery or saint we celebrate; in Ordinary Time, the Sunday and weekday prefaces express our gratitude for God's gift of the Son, Jesus Christ, in whom we have redemption and newness of life. The prefaces offer a succinct account of what God has done for us in Christ; they express the mystery of faith, always relating it to us, to our lives. "By his birth we are reborn," we hear in Preface IV for Sundays in Ordinary Time. "By his suffering we are freed from sin. By his rising from the dead we rise to everlasting life." Yes, we have cause to give God thanks and praise.

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM

Monday

7:30 AM

Tuesday

7:30 AM

Wednesday

7:30 AM

Thursday

7:30 AM

Friday

7:30 AM

Saturday

7:30 AM

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM

July 31

Nick Zuza

Req. Sally Zuza

August 1

Juan Lago

Req. Vazquez Family

August 2

Tom Nash

Req. Lore Family

August 3

Richard Moroses

Req. Gen and Al Mazur

August 4

Janice Prichett

Req. Gen and Al Mazur

August 5

Special Intention Michael Galliano

Req. Dorothy Songile

August 6

Msgr. Joseph Plunkett

Req. Theresa Tiberi

August 7

People of the Parish

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7

Anthony Daunoras

Req. Kathy Daunoras

August 8

Helder Esteves

Req. Ermelinda Esteves

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

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

AUGUST 1, 2021

Altar Bread & Wine...

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Michael Najuch / OLS

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Michael Najuch / OLS



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The 1st collection July 25th: \$874.00

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The 2nd collection for the weekend of August 8th is
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A SECRET

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—Anonymous

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