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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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Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic
Church, Kearny, NJ

DECEMBER 5, 2021

John went
throughout the whole
region of the Jordan,
proclaiming a baptism
of repentance for the
forgiveness of sins.

Luke 3:3

SECOND

Sunday
OF
Advent



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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.

Up, Jerusalem!
stand upon
the heights;
look to the east
and see your
children
gathered from
the east and
the west
at the word
of the Holy One,
rejoicing that
they are
remembered
by God. *Baruch 5:5*



Prospect of Jerusalem
Wenceslaus Hollar (Bohemian, 1607-1677), 1660
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

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Almost nine hundred years ago, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux suggested in one of his Advent homilies that we should think of three Advents of Christ: the First, when Christ came in humility as Mary's Child, clothed in our human nature; the Second, when Christ will come in glory as Judge and Redeemer of the world. Then Saint Bernard speaks of a Middle Coming, an "in the meantime" Advent, when Christ comes to us in his Word, in the Eucharist, and in those who need our love and care, family and friends, neighbors and strangers. That's this year's Advent, the one we're celebrating now; and this Advent's question is: how attentive am I to Christ's coming into my life-story, right here, right now?

AN UNNOTICED ADVENT

Today Luke solemnly announces the names of the secular and sacred powers who thought they held the world's destiny in their hands. But they completely missed the decisive event that forever changed the world's religious and political history. When no one else was listening, God's Word came to a nobody, John the Baptist, and not in the temple sanctuary or palace throne room, but "out in the sticks," the Word that would one day cleanse the temple and topple thrones. The powerful names that Luke announces were not popular with ordinary people: times were tough, the economy was bad, people were having to make do with less; and those names reminded common folks that so much of life was beyond their control. Sound familiar? Yet just then, when many were far from hopeful, God acted decisively to save the people, and John the Baptist invited his listeners then, and us today, to join in the Good News of new life.

GOD'S RECONSTRUCTION PLAN

We heard Baruch, in the first reading, picturing our broken world reborn: the dispersed being carried home, tears wiped away, righteousness and justice, peace and worship. How we wish it could all be true! It will be true, Paul declares, optimistic that God, who has already begun such good work in us, will continue to complete it for the day of Christ's glorious return, increasing our love and sharpening our discernment of the values that endure. So we should begin this second week of Advent reinvigorated with hope in God's plan for the world's salvation. But John the Baptist reminds us that God's "reconstruction plan" for the world's transformation begins much closer to home: what twists and turns of my own life must be untangled, what lofty mountains of my own pride and self-centeredness brought low, which gorge-deep valleys of my own indifference and neglect filled in? Come, Lord Jesus, and make the whole creation new—but start right here, right now, with me!

Today's Readings: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

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Advent
December 5, 2021
Second
Sunday of

**The Rosary
Society of
OLS News...**

In place of the Giving Tree, the Rosary Society is participating in a Toiletry Bag project. This project will benefit local shelters, especially the homeless. You may take a bag from the back of the Church, fill it with the item on the list in the bag, and return the bag to the back of Our Lady of Sorrows Church by Wednesday, December 8th. We thank you for supporting this project!!



Let us remember all our family members, loved ones, and fellow parishioners who have died, especially **George John Tilley, Jr.**, 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.**

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA MEMORIALS

Donations will be accepted toward the purchase of Christmas Poinsettias in memory of a loved one or special intention. These flowers will be placed on the Altars of the Church during the Christmas Season. The envelopes for the Christmas flowers are located on the table in the back of the Church. Please place it with your donation in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory office mail slot.



ADULT CHRISTMAS CHOIR



Choir Rehearsals
Resume

You are invited to join our Christmas Choir as we prepare for the liturgical season of Christmas. Choir practice begins on Monday, December 6th, at 7:15PM in the choir loft. We hope to see you there!!!

CHRISTMAS WAFERS

The celebration of Christmas by American families is enriched spiritually when the time honored "Old Country" traditional customs are adopted. The father breaks the Christmas Wafer into pieces, which he shares with his wife and children as they sit around the table covered with a white cloth, under which there is straw, as a reminder of the Holy Child's Manger in Bethlehem. As the members share this "bread of peace and reconciliation" they wish one another happiness and joy for the Christmas Season and the New Year, mutually asking and receiving forgiveness for any hurts or offenses they may have been guilty of during the last twelve months. Wafers are available at the Rectory office. Kindly contact the Rectory office to arrange a time to pick up the wafers. Cost \$5.00.



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1 st collection	11/21/2021	\$963.00
2 nd collection	11/21/2021	\$465.00
1 st collection	11/28/2021	\$1055.00
2 nd collection	11/28/2021	\$343.00

The second collection for December 12th is the Retirement Fund for the Religious.
The Christmas Mass Remembrance and Christmas flowers envelopes are available in the back of the Church.
Thank you for your support and generosity.

Mass Intentions



Saturday

5:00 PM

December 4

Nick and Donald Zuza
Req. Ermelinda Esteves

Sunday

9:00 AM

December 5

Special Intention for Sarah Manaois on her 19th Birthday
Req. Harry and Teresa Manaois

Monday

7:30 AM

December 6

Joseph and Barbara Russell
Req. Family

Tuesday

7:30 AM

December 7

Special Intention Jeanette Faulk
Peace and Conversion
Req. Elaine Faulk

Wednesday

7:30 AM

December 8

Fr. Patrick Wilhelm &
Living Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

12:00 PM

7:00 PM

Bayard and Mackalonis Families
Req. Ray and Linda Mackalonis
Susan Wolenski
Req. Dorothy Songile

Thursday

7:30 AM

December 9

People of the Parish

Friday

7:30 AM

December 10

Monica Osorio
Req. Marlene Sanchez

Saturday

7:30 AM

December 11

Joseph Kuntz and
Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday

5:00 PM

December 11

Juan Lago
Req. Vazquez Family

Sunday

9:00 AM

December 12

Richard Walingavich
Req. Dolores Walingavich

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

DECEMBER 5, 2021

Altar Bread & Wine...
People of the Parish / OLS
Sanctuary Lamp...
People of the Parish / OLS
Altar Candles...
People of the Parish / OLS



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

Holy day of Obligation

Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM.

There is no Vigil Mass on Tuesday, December 7th.

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