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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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Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Kearny, NJ

January
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2022

**Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Before I formed you
in the womb I knew you,
before you were born
I dedicated you,
a prophet to the nations
I appointed you.

Jeremiah 1:5

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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.



Amen, I say to you,
no prophet is accepted
in his own native place.

Luke 4:24

JANUARY

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2022

FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

The “fulfilled in your hearing” statement of Jesus today is also the conclusion of last week’s Gospel, with the words of Isaiah about the breadth of God’s mercy and justice at its heart. The response of the crowd in the synagogue is united: *all* are amazed, but *all* likewise ask if he’s not merely the son of Joseph the humble carpenter. Jesus calls them out for seeming to think that he ought to be doing his ministry only locally, and—selfishly—only for them. (After all, they know where he comes from!) When Jesus essentially replies “nope” through some proverbs and prophetic stories, *all* the crowd gets angry at his implication that the fulfillment in Jesus is for everyone, not just for them. When our “take care of your own” reflex kicks in, we would do well to recall that this isn’t the attitude of Jesus, nor is it the attitude of his mission that we continue to this day.

YOU’VE BEEN WARNED

The opening of the reading selected from Jeremiah is surely one of the most comforting in scripture. Imagine! God knew me before my bodily conception; God dedicated me before my birth or any human dedication rites; God appointed me a prophet! Then comes the uh-oh. Jeremiah is warned that his appointment as a prophet will bring opposition, against which God’s prophets must stand up. Somehow the appointment as God’s prophet seems like it should be a bit happier, with the glamor that we might think will come from having friends in high places. Yet, just as there are many forces in the world arrayed against the divine will and divine goodness, so too are they arrayed against God’s prophets. A second round of assurances comes to Jeremiah, a pledge that God will be with Jeremiah to strengthen him. God doesn’t promise a turmoil-free life, but does vow to be Jeremiah’s strength.

JESUS, SON OF JEREMIAH

In the synagogue at Nazareth, a similar turn of events takes place. When Jesus speaks of the Spirit’s anointing being upon him, the anointing described in Isaiah, the crowd is amazed, and seems like they even want to take credit, since he’s a local boy. Then Jesus speaks some words of tough love, and “local boy” pivots to “who does he think he is?” You couldn’t blame Jesus, in that moment, if he recalled the words of Jeremiah, his prophetic ancestor. Though the crowd drove Jesus out of town and up a hill to throw him to his death, his time had not yet come. The strength and protection that God promises to prophets came for Jesus that day, as he passed through the mob’s midst, unharmed. He passed through their midst to continue the work for which the Spirit had anointed him. For us who follow the prophetic heritage of Jesus this day, we’ve been warned. But we’ve also been assured of God’s care.

Today’s Readings: Jer 1:4–5, 17–19; Ps 71:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 15–17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4–13]; Lk 4:21–30

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Rejoice in the Lord NEWSLETTER

The latest edition of *Rejoice in the Lord* is now available online. In his latest newsletter, Cardinal Tobin writes, ***"No one is unwanted. God's love embraces all... Regardless of who we are; or what our background is; or the state of our physical, emotional or mental health; or our accomplishments; or our race, religion or cultural heritage; or our age; or our social status; every individual human being is precious in the sight of God and, therefore, should also be valuable in the eyes of his or her fellow human beings."***

Cardinal Tobin’s newsletter to the faithful, is available online at www.rcan.org/rejoiceinthelord and linked on the archdiocesan news site, www.JerseyCatholic.org. Please share this with your family and friends.



The 2022 Annual Appeal will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins.

Now more than ever, especially during this health crisis, our ministries and programs need your support. **Will you prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2022 Annual Appeal?**

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE—THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022
“Through the Intercession of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may God free you from sickness of the throat and from every other evil, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”
 A Blessing of the Throats will take place at all Masses this weekend. Throats will also be blessed on Thursday, February 3rd, at the 7:30 AM Mass.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
 The feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love.

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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS		
1 st collection	01/16/2022	\$874.00
2 nd collection	01/16/2022	\$362.00
1 st collection	01/23/2022	\$1205.00
2 nd collection	01/23/2022	\$395.00

The second collection for the weekend of February 5/6 is for Maintenance and Repair.
Thank you for your generosity!!

Mass Intentions

<p>Saturday 5:00 PM</p> <p>Sunday 9:00 AM</p> <p>Monday 7:30 AM</p> <p>Tuesday 7:30 AM</p> <p>Wednesday 7:30 AM</p> <p>Thursday 7:30 AM</p> <p>Friday 7:30 AM</p> <p>Saturday 7:30 AM</p>	<p>January 29 Paul Fadeski Req. John Dobrowski</p> <p>January 30 Alexander Donorovich Req. Keogh Family</p> <p>January 31 People of the Parish</p> <p>February 1 Paul Fadeski Req. Irene Potts</p> <p>February 2 Cathy White and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS</p> <p>February 3 Mr. Anderson and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS</p> <p>February 4 Michael Jones and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS</p> <p>February 5 Angel Gonzales and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>February 5 Michael Masonus Req. Linda Reina</p> <p>February 6 Leo Yarmolowicz Req. Yarmolowicz Family</p>
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MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK JANUARY 30, 2022

Altar Bread & Wine...
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Sanctuary Lamp...
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Altar Candles...
Alexander Donorovich / Keogh Family



The Lord is near to All who call on Him.
Psalm 145:18

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