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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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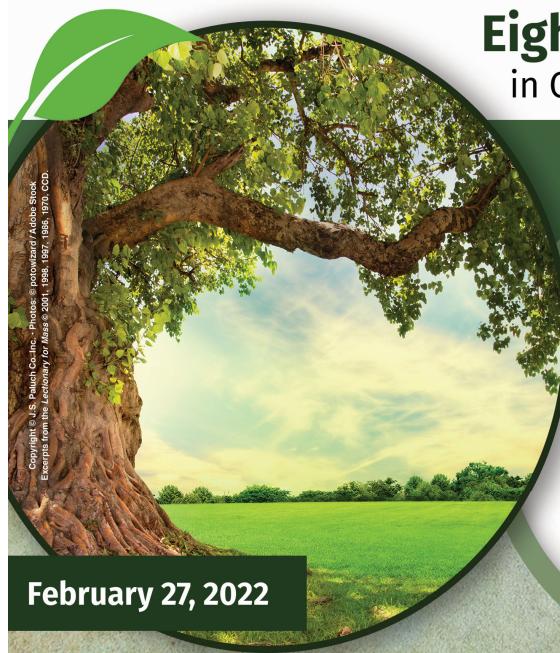
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## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,  
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.

For every tree is known  
by its own fruit.

Luke 6:43-44

## PARTH 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.

As the test of what the potter molds  
is in the furnace,  
so in tribulation is the test of the just.



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Sirach 27:5

Nocturne: Furnace  
1879/80  
James McNeill Whistler  
American, 1834–1903  
Art Institute of Chicago

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 27, 2022

As we approach the season of Lent, Paul's first letter to the Corinthians gives us a sneak peek of Easter, waiting for us on the other side: "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" Paul's conclusion, telling us to remain steadfast and devoted to the Lord's work, could serve as a Lenten motto. The reading from Sirach provides a series of adages regarding discipline of the tongue, and of our speech. Maybe not a bad Lenten practice to observe. Even Jesus in Luke's Gospel gets into the act, encouraging a cleansing of the heart ("A clean heart create for me, God" we will sing in Psalm 51 during Lent), so that from the goodness of our heart we will bring good into the world. Of course, these insights from Sirach, Paul, and Luke serve us quite well year-round. What we truly do "in the Lord" is never done in vain.

### IS THIS ON THE TEST?

Today's reading from Sirach reminds us not to praise others before they speak, "for it is then that people are tested." Jesus, in Luke's Gospel, takes it a step further, reminding us that we are also known by the fruit borne in our lives. It doesn't take long to think of a person or group of people who speak beautiful, praiseworthy words, and yet their lives are unfruitful, or their lives outright contradict their speech. This is the class of people we call "hypocrites," and it's clear in all the Gospels that Jesus has no time for them. Our speech does test us, but the test is really to demonstrate that there is a connection between what we say and how we live. Expressed another way, this is the age-old discussion about faith and works. A truly deep-rooted faith will bear fruit in the works, in the actions of our lives. As happens so often in discipleship, we are dealing with the both/and, not either/or.

### TALKING HEARTS

As disciples who follow Jesus, we believe that we are following God's very Word-made-Flesh. The theological term for this is In-carn-ation, the "in-flesh-made" second person of the Trinity. As followers of the Word, our words are truly important. Our hearts and mouths are wired together, as Jesus tells us today: "from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." This is yet another echo of the wisdom of Sirach: "Speech discloses the bent of a person's heart." Eventually, our words—and the other actions of our lives—will convey what is truly in our hearts. Perhaps the ultimate test of our discipleship is not merely our words, or even our actions, but on a deeper level the test is whether or not others will find in us God's word "in-flesh-made." Our mission is to be the Word-made-flesh, in the flesh again in our own place and time.

**Today's Readings:** Sir 27:4–7; Ps 92:2–3, 13–14, 15–16; 1 Cor 15:54–58; Lk 6:39–45

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### ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2022 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both fast and abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. On a day of fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. On a day of abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the

**First Sunday of Lent, March 6, 2022 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 12, 2022.**

\*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

### AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE ADULT CHOIR

**Calling all singers!!!**

You are invited to join our Adult Choir as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter Masses. Rehearsals begin on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM in the Choir loft. Come join us!!!

**I will sing and make melody.  
Awake, my soul! (Psalm 108:1)**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This traditional Lenten devotion will be prayed every Friday beginning on March 4<sup>th</sup> through April 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Please join us!!



# Ash Wednesday

March 2, 2022

## Celebration of Holy Mass:

7:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM

*Ashes will be distributed during Mass.*

3:30 PM Ash Service

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## THE 2022 ANNUAL APPEAL

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. **Our Parish Goal is \$7990.00.** Donations can be made online at [www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org).

The 2022 Annual Appeal video is available on our Parish website [www.olskearny.org](http://www.olskearny.org) and on the Archdiocese website in various languages at [www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org). 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?**

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1 <sup>st</sup> collection	02/13/2022	\$1144.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> collection	02/13/2022	\$239.00

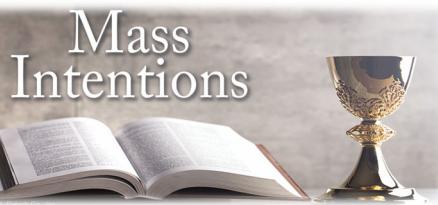
The second collection for the weekend of March 5/6 is for Maintenance and Repairs.

**Thank you for your generosity!!**



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 Armand Calabrese, 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".

*May God grant them healing.*



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday**

5:00 PM

### February 26

Florence Shugrue

Req. Bill and Barbara Shugrue

### February 27

Priscilla Games and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

### February 28

David Murray

Req. Muldoon Family

### March 1

Fr. Dennis Foley, C.Ss.R.

Req. Theresa Tiberi

### March 2 Ash Wednesday

Jimmy Faulk and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Walter D and Catherine (Alberta) Bayard & Family

Req. Ray and Linda Mackalonis

Ash Service

People of the Parish

### March 3

Special Intention for Anne O'Boyle

Req. Irene Potts

### March 4

Manuel Lago

Req. Lago Family

Stations of the Cross

### March 5

Patricia Truszkowski and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

### 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

### March 5

Gerardo Maceira

Req. Theresa Tiberi

### March 6

Maria Robetto

Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

FEBRUARY 27, 2022

### Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish / OLS

### Sanctuary Lamp...

People of the Parish / OLS

### Altar Candles...

People of the Parish / OLS



## LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

*Save the date!!*



St. Cecilia Church will host a Penance Service on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7PM. All are welcome. Confessions are held every Saturday from 4PM—4:30PM here at Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

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