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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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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.



The word is near you,
in your mouth and in your heart.

— Romans 10:8

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Face it, the last couple of years have worn us all down. Sometimes we don't know how to pray, or we don't seem to find the words we want. It is easy to falter and waver. Lent is a time to get back to the basics. There is much hope and strength in our readings as we begin our Lenten journey. The letter to the Romans tells us today that "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved," and this is an idea we hear throughout the scriptures. Psalm 91 shows us exactly how to cry for help, "Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble." In Deuteronomy, Moses teaches the people to bring their firstfruit offerings to God, and put their faith and trust in God, and Jesus teaches us in today's Gospel that we find our life in the word of God.

GOOD ZEAL AND TEMPTATIONS

In the chapter of Luke preceding today's Gospel, Jesus was baptized in the Jordan and began his adult ministry. Immediately afterward he was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tested. While this might seem almost surreal as we imagine the devil taking Jesus from place to place, it is really much more simple and common than that. For many of us, as we strive to live our lives, we deal with many temptations. Sometimes it is a matter of having the zeal and desire, but not the practical experience or knowledge to carry out a goal. Other times, we are afraid to ask for the assistance that we need to carry a project through to completion. Or we might think that we deserve more, or that our results should be happening more quickly. Our egos can be destructive.

KNOWING YOUR TOUCHSTONES

When Jesus found himself tested by the devil, he was given several different scenarios. The devil brought up situations that he knew could specifically test Jesus, but similar situations would test any of us. Physical hunger is a real need, and many of us might yearn for success, or better paying jobs, or power, or the like. The difference is that when Jesus was tempted, he had some strong "touchstones" to hold onto, secure answers to lead him. He went to simple, basic scriptures that he could call upon in his time of need. For many, one of those basics would be Jeremiah, "I know the plans I have in mind for you—plans for peace and not disaster." For another it might be the Beatitudes or the twenty-third Psalm. Whatever it may be, have ready those touchstones, those "go to" prayers or phrases that you can hold onto during the times when you are sorely tested in your life. Let those stones be your firm foundation.

Today's Readings: Dt 26:4–10; Ps 91:1–2, 10–11, 12–13, 14–15; Rom 10:8–13; Lk 4:1–13

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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 7th 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 through April 8th, 6:30 PM at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Please join us!!



THE 2022 ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2022 Annual Appeal is well underway. Our Parish goal is \$7990.00. Donations can be made online at www.rcan.org. Thank you to those who have already pledged. Your support is central to the mission of the Archdiocese of Newark. Together we can continue to serve with faith, hope and charity. If you have yet to participate, please pick up a pledge envelope at the back of the Church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.



Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13th. Set clocks forward 1 hour on Saturday, March 12th.

EASTER FLOWERS

Our Lady of Sorrows is decorated beautifully each year for Easter by the generous donations of our parish community. If you would like to contribute towards the Easter flowers, envelopes for the Easter flowers can be found in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you for supporting Our Lady of Sorrows Church.



Rejoice in the Lord NEWSLETTER

The latest edition of *Rejoice in the Lord* is now available online. In his latest newsletter, Cardinal Tobin continues his reflection on Pope Francis' encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*, and calls our attention to the fifth chapter, "A Better Kind of Politics," and the need for "respectful dialogue, collaboration and commitment to the common good."

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.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1 st collection	02/20/2022	\$904.00
2 nd collection	02/20/2022	\$318.00
1 st collection	02/27/2022	\$1149.00
2 nd collection	02/27/2022	\$610.00

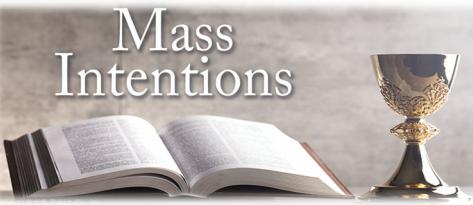
The second collection for the weekend of March 12/13 is for Church's Higher Energy costs.

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.



Saturday

5:00 PM

March 5

Gerardo Maceira

Req. Theresa Tiberi

Sunday

9:00 AM

March 6

Maria Robetto

Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

Monday

7:30 AM

March 7

Raymond Moore

Req. Irene Potts

Tuesday

7:30 AM

March 8

Adrian Velazquez and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Wednesday

7:30 AM

Mary Abrormaitis

Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

Thursday

7:30 AM

March 10

David Murray

Req. Lore Family

Friday

7:30 AM

March 11

Earle Faulk and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Stations of the Cross

Saturday

7:30 AM

March 12

John Emmons and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 12

Barbara Lore

Req. Bill and Barbara Shugrue

March 13

Richard Fudali and Richard Gelcius

Req. Kathy Fudali

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

MARCH 6, 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



St. Cecilia Church will host a Penance Service on Monday, March 7th, 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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