



# OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH

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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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SEE, I AM DOING SOMETHING NEW!

NOW IT SPRINGS FORTH, DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT?

IN THE DESERT I MAKE A WAY,

IN THE WASTELAND, RIVERS.

ISAIAH 43:19

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## APRIL 3, 2022

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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.

I consider everything as a loss  
because of the supreme good of knowing  
Christ Jesus my Lord. — *Philippians 3:8*



### Fifth Sunday of Lent

Isaiah prophesies for the Lord: "Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!" One of the most dangerous things that we can do is get stuck in our old ways. As individuals, as parishes, as nations we can say, "We've always done it that way," and miss calls to growth and change. Throughout this Lent and our lives, God continues to call us to life, and we should celebrate that! The psalmist reminds us that "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!" Saint Paul realizes this as he explains, "I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus." In the Gospel, Jesus offers a new way of looking at a tricky situation and provides a kinder, less judgmental response.

### AN AGE-OLD STORY OF JUDGEMENT

In our Gospel today we hear an ancient story, but one that feels like it could be taken out of the headlines today. We can be very quick to pass judgment on others, those with different political or cultural backgrounds, or perhaps with a different sexual orientation. Jesus was teaching in the temple, and the scribes and Pharisees did not like the message that he was proclaiming or the popularity he was gaining. When a nearby woman was caught in adultery, they thought it was the perfect chance to trip Jesus up, wondering how he would respond when the Mosaic Law provided clear consequences for such behavior. Many would be able to quote instantly chapter and verse of the law pertaining to the infraction. Instead of answering their question, Jesus turned it back on the accusers: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

### DRAWING IN THE SAND

Awaiting the response of those challenging him, Jesus bent over and wrote in the sand. According to scripture scholar John Pilch, this was a simple technique that peasants used to buy time in a discussion or argument. Instead of looking the scribes and pharisees in the eye, he looked down and did his own thing while they all slipped away. The scriptures do not tell us what the woman was doing during this time. But by not looking at her, Jesus gave her a chance to restore her own dignity. He didn't comment on her innocence or guilt. Rather, he instructed her to go forth and sin no more. It is not our past that matters as much as the choices we make now and in the future. Again and again, God gives us the chance to start our life over. This is our challenge this Lent, to continue to use the opportunities we are given to repent and grow.

**Today's Readings: Is 43:16–21; Ps 126:1–2, 2–3, 4–5, 6, 12a; Phil 3:8–14; Jn 8:1–11**

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### MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS

Join us for Our Lady of Sorrows traditional Lenten devotion, Mary's Way of the Cross, on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM.



### PALM CROSS SALE

Palm Crosses will be sold at all Masses this weekend. The cost is \$9.00 each. Thank you for your support!!

**The Rosary Society of Our Lady of Sorrows.**

### 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.*

### ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL



Choir rehearsals for Holy Week and Easter Masses are held on Mondays at 7:15 PM in the Choir loft. Come join us!!!

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

# Holy Week

## PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

Palm branches blessed and distributed at all Masses.  
5:00 PM (April 9th, Saturday, Mass of Anticipation)  
9:00 AM Palm Sunday

## HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2022

No Morning Mass  
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

## GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022

12 Noon Stations of the Cross (Wayside Cross)  
Riverbank Park (Weather permitting)  
3:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Church)  
7:00 PM Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

## HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022

11 AM—12 PM Confessions  
12PM Blessing of Food  
7:30 PM Solemn Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

## EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2022

8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

## 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.

## EASTER 2022 SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

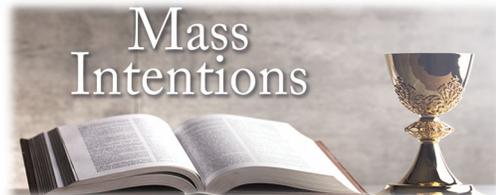
All Masses on Easter Day, including the Easter evening Vigil Mass at 7:30 PM, will be offered for all individuals, living or deceased, as stated on the Spiritual Bouquet Mass Remembrance envelopes. Spiritual Bouquet Easter cards are available at the Rectory office during office hours. The donation for the Mass Remembrance is \$5.00. All intentions will be placed on the Altar during all Easter Masses.

## 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](http://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](http://www.rcan.org)/sharing.



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 Struziensi, 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

## April 2

Leo Yarmolowicz  
Req. Yarmolowicz Family

## Sunday

9:00 AM

## April 3

Barbara Lore  
Req. Muldoon Family

## Monday

7:30 AM

## April 4

James Mooney  
Req. Mary Mooney and Family

## Tuesday

7:30 AM

## April 5

Edna and Vincent Rokas  
Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

## Wednesday

7:30 AM

## April 6

Michael Fahy and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

## Thursday

7:30 AM

## April 7

Colleen Choffo and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

## Friday

7:30 AM

## April 8

Richard Theobald and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

6:30 PM

## Saturday

7:30 AM

## April 9

Sorrel Leckowski and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

### Saturday

5:00 PM

### April 9

Anita Tiberi  
Req. Theresa Tiberi

### Sunday

9:00 AM

### April 10

Edward McBride (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)  
Req. Chris Danzi

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 3, 2022

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



## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1 <sup>st</sup> collection	03/27/2022	\$891.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> collection	03/27/2022	\$486.00

There is no second collection for the weekend of April 9/10th. Mother's Day Mass Remembrance envelopes can be placed in the Sunday collection baskets.  
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