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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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MAY

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2022

Jesus said to him,
“Feed my sheep.”

John 21:17

THIRD SUNDAY

OF

Easter

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.)

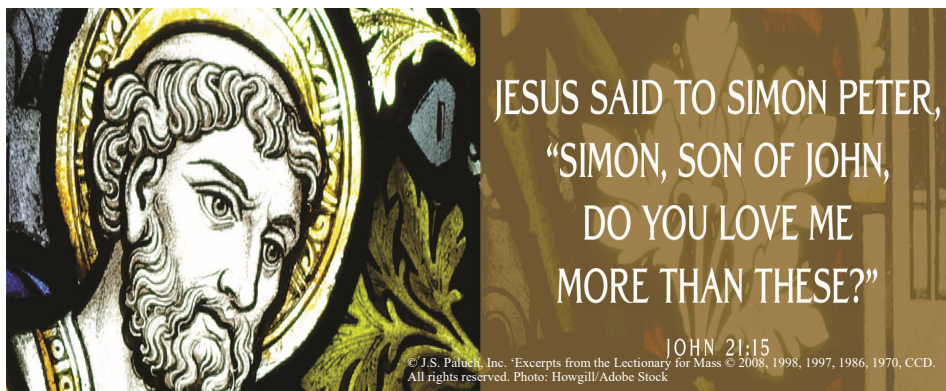
If you have not received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, or Confirmation, and are over 18 years of age, and are interested in membership in the Catholic Church, please call the Rectory office.

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.



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The Easter season provides us an opportunity to reflect upon who we are as Church, in light of the first experiences of Jesus' followers. From today's Gospel, we realize that all we do is founded on our friendship with and trust in Jesus, as witnessed in Jesus' dialogue with Peter. From Revelation, in the image of Jesus as the sacrificial Lamb, we can anticipate suffering for the sake of love for God and for others. From the apostles' bold speech in Acts, we remember that when we stay true to the Gospel, even at great cost, we must always embody God's forgiveness toward those who resist God's invitation. The early Church struggled to understand how to live the way of Jesus, and we can expect no less struggle for ourselves. And like them, we may also know the joy of growing friendship with God along the way.

OBEYING GOD

In the first chapters of Acts, the apostles venture out energetically, soon after Pentecost, to proclaim the risen Jesus. Today's reading shows the Sanhedrin, the formal religious body that had condemned Jesus shortly before, now threatening the apostles. The Sanhedrin likely feared that Jesus' followers would, in vengeance for the Crucifixion, stir up a riot or even a violent revolt. The apostles, consistent with Jesus' own dealings with the authorities, proclaim Jesus' message of God's forgiveness of everyone, and refuse to incite violence.

It is a great challenge, as Peter said, to "obey God rather than man." Throughout history, when groups of God's people, inspired by God's dream for a just and free world, have spoken out non-violently against injustice and oppression, they have sought to obey God's summons. We the Church, while always mindful of the dangers of self-deception, are similarly called to discern and obey God in our own time and place.

REPEATED QUESTIONS

In today's Gospel, John sets the scene for Jesus' encounter with Peter, sitting by a "charcoal fire." There is just one other mention of a charcoal fire in John's Gospel: when Peter warms himself while awaiting Jesus' trial, and Peter goes on to deny knowing Jesus, three times. The evangelist directly links Jesus' three questions of Peter, "do you love me?", to Peter's three denials. Through his repeated questioning, Jesus helps Peter to face his actions fully, and to accept forgiveness fully as well.

When God invites us into prayer, we may be invited to enter into deep conversation with God about our lives. God can pose the same questions to us, again and again over time, to face what we might prefer to avoid: Can you forgive someone who has hurt you? Can you be more generous? Can you let go of obstacles to becoming more loving? And even: Do you love me? Jesus' encounter with Peter suggests that we can face such questions with deep trust in God.

Today's Readings: Acts 5:27–32, 40b–41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11–12a, 13b; Rev 5:11–14; Jn 21:1–19 [1–14]

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FULFILLING YOUR EASTER DUTY

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.

MAY CROWNING AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Our traditional May Crowning ceremony to honor Mary, our Blessed Mother, will be celebrated on Sunday, May 1st, before the 9:00 AM Mass.

Our Parish Family rejoices as our children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 1st. May their love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament increase as they grow and may the Christian example of their parents strengthen their faith.



MOTHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

All Masses on Mother's Day, May 8th, including Saturday 5PM Mass, will be offered for all mothers and those who love with a mother's love, living and deceased. Mother's Day Mass cards are available in the Rectory office. Kindly call the office to reserve your Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet. The offering for each intention including the card is \$5.00

MOTHER'S DAY CANDLES

Mother's Day candle forms are available in the back of the Church. What a wonderful gesture to honor your mother, either living or deceased. Kindly return the form to the Rectory office or place in the collection basket with your offering of \$10.00 for each candle on or before Wednesday, May 4, 2022.

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. If you have yet to participate, please pick up a pledge envelope at the back of the Church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

There will be no Religious Education class on Sunday, May 8th, in observance of Mother's Day. Classes will resume on Sunday, May 15th. Last day of classes is Sunday, May 22nd.

MOTHER SETON HIGH SCHOOL

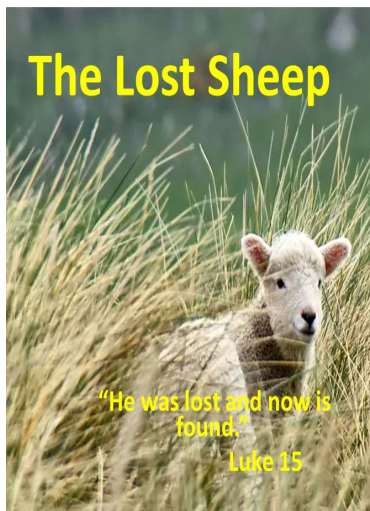
Please join us at our Spring Open House 7:00-8:00 pm on Wed., May 4, for an evening of conversation and tours. Meet teachers and current students to learn what a Catholic school education for girls can do for your daughter: academic excellence, personal growth, confidence and service to others. Fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls are welcome!

At Mother Seton, the future is hers.

1 Valley Road, Clark, New Jersey

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY-NEWARK SUMMER BASKETBALL PROGRAM

Rutgers University-Newark will be running its 20th annual Summer Basketball Program for children ages 6-17. The program is July 11-15, July 18-22, July 25-29, and Aug. 1-Aug. 5, 2022 from 8:30 AM—4 PM. We offer early drop off and late pick up Free of Charge. The cost for one week is only \$185. Discount rates if you attend more than one week. For more information/brochure please call Joe Loughran at (973) 353-1483 or email at loughran@rutgers.edu.



Addiction and Recovery

Series:

Bridging the Gap of
Misunderstanding

May 2, 2022 7:00PM

Holy Family Church/St Joseph Ctr.
28 Brookline Ave,
Nutley, NJ 07110

Guest Speaker: Don Hebert
Recovery Coach, Treatment Advocate,
ITHIRST Companion (ITSC)

Topic - Substance Use Disorder on addiction,
dependency and recovery.

Rejoice in the Lord NEWSLETTER

The latest edition of *Rejoice in the Lord* is now available online. **In his latest newsletter, Cardinal Tobin reflects on the experience of the Paschal Triduum, from 'profound sorrow to intense joy'.**

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

The collections for April 24th will appear in the next bulletin.

The second collection for the weekend of May 7/8 is for the Continuing Support of the Parish.
Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!

Mass Intentions



Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM

Monday

7:30 AM

Tuesday

7:30 AM

Wednesday

7:30 AM

Thursday

7:30 AM

Friday

7:30 AM

Saturday

7:30 AM

April 30

Edmund Rokas

Req. Greg and Cathy Cierpial

May 1

First Communion Children

May 2

Richard Payton

Req. LaShan Dixon

May 3

Donald Payton

Req. LaShan Dixon and Malva Payton

May 4

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Granato

Req. Theresa Tiberi

May 5

John and Mabel Dixon

Req. LaShan Dixon

May 6

Tiberi and Garzo Families

Req. Theresa Tiberi

May 7

Felix Armco and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM

May 7

Spiritual Bouquets

May 8

Spiritual Bouquets

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

MAY 1, 2022

Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp...

People of the Parish

Altar Candles...

People of the Parish



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.

NECESSARY

Grace is necessary to salvation, free will is equally so; but grace in order to give salvation, free will in order to receive it.

—St. Bernard

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WHY IS IT?

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