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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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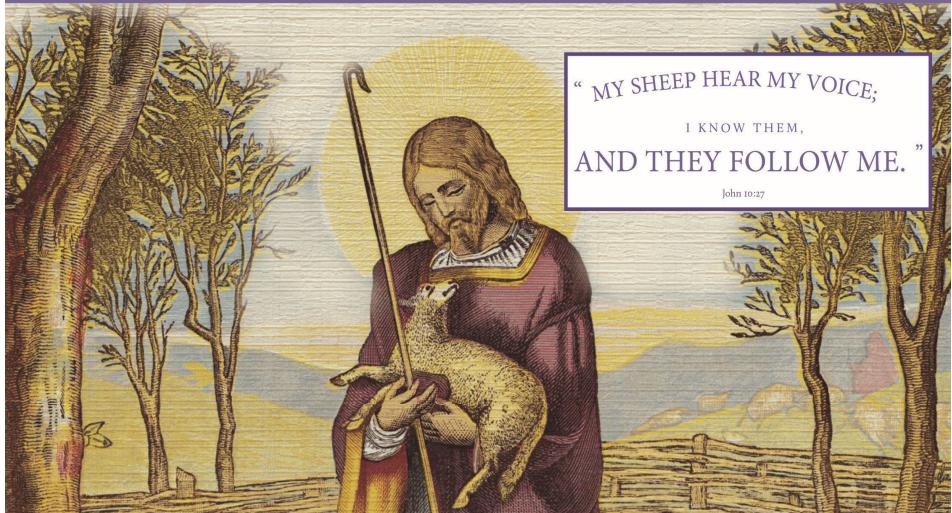
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May 8, 2022 | Fourth Sunday of Easter



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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.



Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8, 2022

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In the time of Jesus, when multiple flocks of sheep would be gathered, protecting the flock depended heavily on the shepherd's personal recognition of individual sheep, by sight and sound. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses this imagery to speak of how Jesus—and the Father—protect those whom God loves—that is, everyone. Forces that pull us away from God are ultimately no match for the fierce love God has for us. Our favor with God does not depend on our behaving properly, or gaining theological knowledge, or holding precise beliefs. Our stance with God is primarily about God's insistence that we belong to God, and to no other. Belonging to God, we know that however much we mess up, we are not lost. Belonging to God eventually draws us into a life of care for each other. Belonging to God, we can safely grow into a fuller belonging.

LIGHT TO THE GENTILES

Today's passage from the Acts of the Apostles is one of several turning points in the self-understanding of the early Church. Paul evokes the image of "A light to the Gentiles." Some thought that Gentiles, non-Jews, were somehow marginal in God's eyes. The Gentiles in Paul's audience rejoice, because they now see that they are not "second class" members of God's family, but fully part of God's beloved people. The story continues by noting the resistance from those who enjoy "first class" status in the community, as inclusion of the Gentiles was perceived as a threat to their self-image and privilege.

The book of Acts continues to challenge today's societies, churches, and organizations. Luke's vision of God's family, united as equal heirs to the Kingdom of God, confronts our many barriers of wealth, race, gender, and much more. We are invited to give witness to this vision in our life together as the Church.

WHITE ROBES

Our reading from the Book of Revelation presents the image of God's people before God's throne, wearing robes that are washed white in the blood of the Lamb. A robe, especially when worn in God's presence, is meant to express the real truth about the person. A white robe indicates their purity. The washing in the blood of the Lamb (Jesus) suggests that the people have met much suffering, and in some manner, have participated in the suffering of Jesus.

These passages were written to a people experiencing great tribulations in living their faith. But the author of Revelation does not suggest that anyone should seek out suffering for its own sake. He does not make suffering somehow a necessary entry pass for salvation. Our sufferings come from many sources, and suffering is a profound mystery. The image of washing in blood suggests that God is present within our suffering. God accompanies our suffering, leads us toward refreshment, and will wipe every tear from our eyes.

Today's Readings: Acts 13:14, 43–52; Ps 100:1–2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b–17;
Jn 10:27–30

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS

Our Parish Family rejoices as our children received Jesus at their First Holy Communion at the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 1st. We welcome them to our Eucharistic Table. May their love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament increase as they grow and may the Christian example of their parents strengthen their faith. Congratulations to the following students:

Rebecca Gómez and Sienna Martins

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.

THE 2022 ANNUAL APPEAL

Please help us reach our Parish goal of **\$7990.00** by making a donation to the 2022 Annual Appeal. Donations can be made online at www.rcan.org. Thank you to those who have already pledged. Pledge envelope are located at the back of the Church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

SACRAMENT FOR THE SHUT-INS

All those who would like to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist in their homes, please call the Rectory office at (201) 998-4616 to make arrangements.

PRAYER FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Please pray for our students at Our Lady of Sorrows who will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Wednesday, May 11th at St. Cecilia Church.

As disciples of Christ, may the gifts of the Holy Spirit stay alive in their hearts and may they receive the guidance necessary to continue the mission of Christ and His Church.

Happy Mother's Day!



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A Prayer in Gratitude for Our Mothers

Good and Gentle God,
we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women
of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of
bringing forth new life. You who became human through a
woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face
the uncertain future that life with children always brings.
Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return,
not perfectly, but humanly.
Give them the faithful support of husband, family and
friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of
their children.
Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them
through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the
wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

Author Unknown

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PERINATAL LOSS MORNING OF HEALING

We invite all members of families who have experienced the loss of a child in miscarriage, still birth, or in infancy to a morning of prayer on Saturday, May 14. Beginning with breakfast at 8:30 a.m., the morning will include a presentation on perinatal grief, time for prayer, reflection, and opportunities to connect with others who have experienced this unique pain. At 11 a.m. we will conclude with a ceremony for the naming of these lost children. All are welcome. Registration is not required, but it will help us plan for refreshments. The event is co-sponsored by the Family Life and Respect Life Offices, the Office for Pastoral Ministry with Persons with Disabilities, and the Office for Evangelization.

When: Saturday, May 14, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Where: Sacred Heart Church, 76 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003 (Parking located at 12 State Street)

For more information, visit www.rcan.org/evangelization or email us at familylife@rcan.org or at evangelization@rcan.org. To reach us by phone, call 973-497-4137.

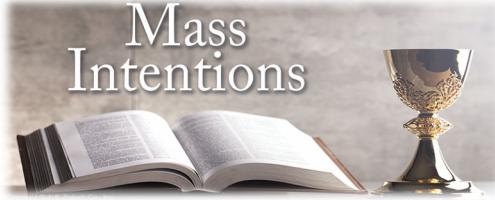
WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1 st collection	04/24/2022	\$947.00
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1 st collection	05/01/2022	\$1188.00
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The second collection for the weekend of May 14/15 is for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!

Mass Intentions



Saturday

5:00 PM

May 7

Spiritual Bouquets

Sunday

9:00 AM

May 8

Spiritual Bouquets

Monday

7:30 AM

May 9

Anna Masonus

Req. Linda Reina

Tuesday

7:30 AM

May 10

Jane Frances Dondero

Req. Theresa Tiberi

Wednesday

7:30 AM

May 11

John and Joseph Kielis

Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

Thursday

7:30 AM

May 12

Gene Lasoine and

Deceased Members of FOSS

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Friday

7:30 AM

May 13

Robert, Jack, John & Richard Moroses

Req. Gen and Al Mazur and Family

Saturday

7:30 AM

May 14

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14

Susan Taylor Gajewski

Req. Irene Potts

May 15

Anna and Bernard Yuknelis

Req. Gen and Al Mazur and Family

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 8, 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.*

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.

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