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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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*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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Take care to guard  
against all greed,  
for though one  
may be rich,  
one's life does  
not consist  
of possessions.

Luke 12:15

July 31, 2022

## 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.

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

COLOSSIANS 3:1

# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 31, 2022

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## NOTHING EARTHLY LASTS FOREVER

“Teach us to number our days aright.” Is there a more wise and prudent prayer for people of all ages than this verse from today’s responsorial psalm? As we savor the lovely but limited days of summer we are reminded that nothing lasts forever. In today’s first reading, the master teacher (Qoheleth) asserts “All things are vanity!” while the Gospel of Luke describes the ease with which our possessions can possess us. The second reading makes the point as well: “Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.” We see the problem of wealth from both sides today—from the viewpoint of the wealthy person who inevitably has to leave his riches to someone else and from the perspective of the potential inheritor who is at odds with his brother over how to divide their inheritance. The problem is clear; the wisdom is also.

## YOU CAN’T TAKE IT WITH YOU

Stephen Covey, in his book *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, lists as his second habit: Begin with the end in mind. Is that not the point of our scripture reflections today? We know we will die. We know we “can’t take it with us.” If you’ve ever been tasked with cleaning out the home of a deceased person, you know how easily once-treasured items simply become another burden to deal with. Or you may have experienced how quickly the joy of owning the latest smart phone becomes as outdated as the model itself. So how do we think about all the stuff that we buy, accumulate, fret over where to store, and pay taxes on? Heaven forbid if we ever have to move!

## RICH IN WHAT MATTERS TO GOD

Luke sets us on the right path when he affirms that we must be “rich in what matters to God.” Needless to say, he is not saying that possessions themselves are evil. Today’s psalm asks God—twice—to “prosper the work of our hands for us!” The danger is that, as one wag put it, “we never have enough of what we don’t really need.” What does matter to God? What is the opposite of vanity? Kindness to one another, mercy, forgiveness, generosity to the poor and needy—all of these remain beyond death. These are what we can take with us when we die. The great mystery in all this is that God is never outdone in generosity; the more we give away, the more we have.

July 31 is also the feast day of Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). He epitomizes richness in what really matters. His military and court aspirations evaporated after he was seriously wounded in battle. His subsequent change of heart led him to found one of the most influential religious orders in the history of the Church. If the opposite of vanity is wealth that remains after death, Ignatius is most appropriately honored today.

## TODAY’S READINGS

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21–23  
Psalm 90:3–4, 5–6, 12–13, 14 and 17  
Colossians 3:1–5, 9–11  
Luke 12:13–21

## 2022-2023 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registrations are being accepted for all children, grades 1 through 8, for Religious Education classes. Please keep in mind that two years of basic religious instruction are required for First Communion, and all children are required to continue religious education classes until they have been confirmed. Religious formation in their relationship with God and instruction in their faith is an important building block in a solid Catholic foundation. Since books and materials must be ordered ahead of time, we need your cooperation in this endeavor, so please register now.

**New registrations:** A copy of your child's Baptism certificate and First Communion (if applicable) is required (unless Sacraments were received here at Our Lady of Sorrows Church.) **Please register by Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>.**

**Children will attend 9:00 AM Sunday Mass followed by Religious Education classes.**

## OLS WISHES YOU SAFE TRAVELS

If you are traveling this summer, have fun, be safe and check out the local Catholic Churches. Please be generous to the Churches you attend as summer is tough for all Churches. Please do not forget to support your Church with your offering this summer. It is always a lean time. However, the work of the Church continues. Thank you for your support and may God's blessing be upon you and your families.

## Rejoice in the Lord NEWSLETTER

The latest edition of *Rejoice in the Lord*, Cardinal Tobin's newsletter to the faithful, is available online at [www.rcan.org/RejoiceInTheLord](http://www.rcan.org/RejoiceInTheLord) and linked on the archdiocesan news site, [www.JerseyCatholic.org](http://www.JerseyCatholic.org). Please share this with your family and friends.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process of welcoming new members into the Catholic Church. It is for those men and women who have not been baptized, received First Communion or Confirmation in the Catholic Church. Its main purpose is to assist prospective Catholics in their journey to become active members of the church. RCIA is held at St. Cecilia Church, Kearny. Please call Fr. John Wassell at St. Cecilia Parish Center office at (201) 991-1116 for more information.

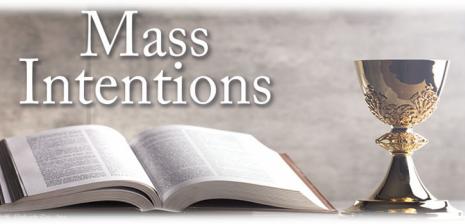
## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The collection for Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, will appear in the next bulletin.

The second collection for Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, is for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. **Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!**

## NOTHING BETTER

Nothing . . . is sweeter than love; nothing higher, nothing stronger, nothing larger, nothing fuller, nothing better, in heaven or on earth.



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 30</b>
5:00 PM	Lino Abrantes Req. Miranda Family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 31</b>
9:00 AM	Regina Harris Req. Irene Potts
<b>Monday</b>	<b>August 1</b>
7:30 AM	Harry Charles Faulk Req. Elaine Faulk
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>August 2</b>
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<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 3</b>
7:30 AM	Harry Charles Faulk Req. Elaine Faulk
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>August 4</b>
7:30 AM	Harry Charles Faulk Req. Elaine Faulk
<b>Friday</b>	<b>August 5</b>
7:30 AM	Harry Charles Faulk Req. Elaine Faulk
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 6</b>
7:30 AM	Harry Charles Faulk Req. Elaine Faulk

## 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 6</b>
5:00 PM	Anthony Daunoras Req. Kathy Daunoras
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 7</b>
9:00 AM	Lino Abrantes Req. Miranda Family

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2022

**Altar Bread & Wine...**  
*Regina Harris / Irene Potts*  
**Sanctuary Lamp...**  
*Regina Harris / Irene Potts*  
**Altar Candles...**  
*Regina Harris / Irene Potts*



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, **Joseph Colamedici, Maria Cunha, Kathleen Fudali, Gary Davitt, Ted Hirschi, Jaxson Rivera, June Struzienski, Irene Zarbetski, Sally Zuza, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".**

*May God grant them healing.*

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