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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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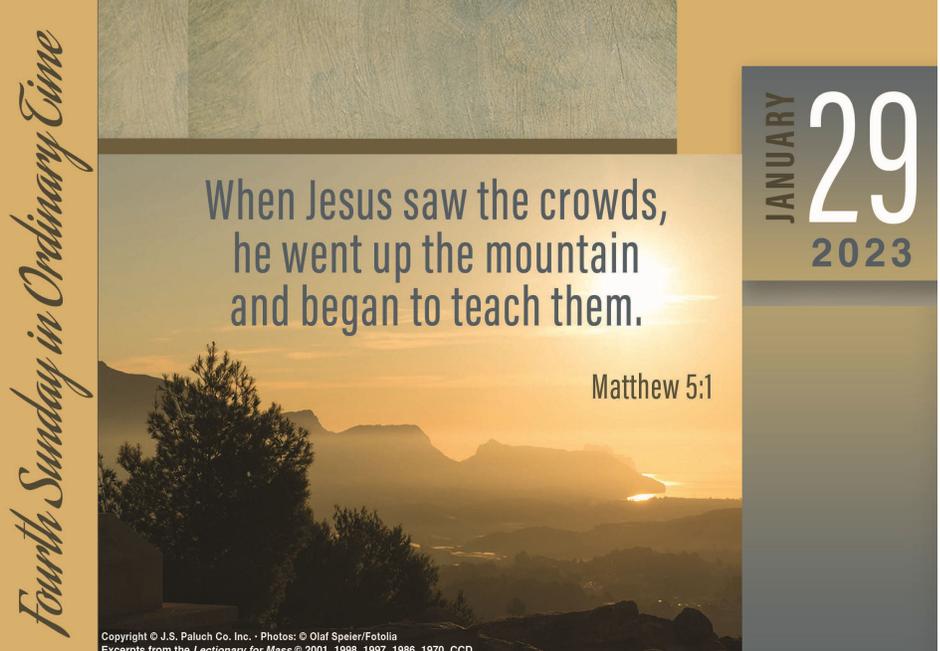
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PARISH REGISTRATION

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.



**“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.”**

Matthew 5:3

JANUARY

29

2023

**FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

GOD’S REIGN HERE AND NOW

Our readings this week all speak of the distinctive characteristics of the people God gathers to achieve God’s purposes. The deep communion of love that God envisions requires a community that is humble and lowly, as Zephaniah describes. God chooses the weak and foolish to reveal God’s strength and wisdom, as Paul says. And in the Beatitudes, Jesus teaches that a people who know their weakness and vulnerability can most fully place their trust in God and work for a just world. As Christians, we believe God will fully heal our world when Christ returns. But Christ also invites us to experience a foretaste of this future right now, through our life in Christian community, and in our work of peacemaking and justice-seeking in the world. Our poverty in spirit can enable us to be both recipients and instruments of the “kingdom of heaven” here and now.

THE BLESSED COMMUNITY

We turn to the first action of Jesus’ public ministry described by Matthew—Jesus preaching to the crowds in what we call the Sermon on the Mount. The Sermon begins with today’s Gospel passage, the Beatitudes. Having just called his first disciples to form a community, Jesus begins to spell out what this community is all about. The Beatitudes lay the foundation, describing the primary values and practices, and the core identity of this community.

Jesus tells his followers, first and foremost, that they are blessed by God. The community will reveal its blessed character through its humility, meekness, and hunger for justice. Knowing they are loved as God’s children, they will have open and pure hearts, free to be merciful, and they will be able to endure suffering gracefully. Listening anew to the Beatitudes, we remember how far we fall short of Jesus’ vision. But we know God has gathered us, and continues to transform us, to receive the fullness of blessing.

WHOM GOD HONORS

In Jesus’ time, honor and shame were key markers for who is up and who is down in their society. Typically, those with wealth and power over others were to be honored. And in our own time, often we find ourselves drawn strongly toward having more abundance, control, and options to choose from. We avoid vulnerability and limitations. But Jesus says in the Beatitudes that the poor and meek are truly blessed, that is, honorable and privileged by God. How can this be?

Perhaps Jesus is first exposing the opposites to the poor and meek, the “rich in spirit.” These develop such confidence in themselves, based on achievement or inherited privilege, that they isolate themselves from God, and either ignore or exploit others. Jesus also knew that the humble in heart realize that they cannot build an illusory self-affirmation, so they can be most open to God’s affirmation of them. They can then become more deeply empowered to participate in God’s work. God blesses and honors the open-hearted.

TODAY’S READINGS

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12–13
Psalm 146:6–7, 8–9, 9–10
1 Corinthians 1:26–31
Matthew 5:1–12a

Annual Appeal the 2023

The 2023 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus. Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese. Please make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/sharing or join us for In-Pew Weekend on February 4th-5th.



YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS

Our Lady of Sorrows Church will host the Youth and Family Mass for Middle Grade and High School Students on February 25th at 6:30PM. Pizza to follow in the Church Basement.

2022-2023 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

January 29	Class
February 5	Class
February 12	Class
February 19	No Class (President's Day weekend)

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1 st Collection	January 22, 2023	\$1060.00
2 nd Collection	January 22, 2023	\$ 397.00

The second collection for the weekend of February 4/5 is for Maintenance and Repairs.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!

SACRAMENTS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Those who would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or the Sacrament of Eucharist in their homes may call the Rectory office from 9AM—12PM to make the necessary arrangements.

COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY & HEALING

The Archdiocese of Newark, along with Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, regard the safety and protection of all God's people in any Church service, activity or event as a high priority. Any person who wishes to report an incident of sexual misconduct by a member of the clergy, religious or lay staff of the Archdiocese of Newark, should contact the Archdiocese by calling (201) 407-3256.

Mass Intentions



Saturday

5:00 PM

January 28

Alice Daunoras
Req. Kathy Daunoras

Sunday

9:00 AM

January 29

Carlos Zarco
Req. Manaois Family

Monday

7:30 AM

January 30

William Gallacher
Req. Elaine Yablonski

Tuesday

7:30 AM

January 31

Special Intention for Alice Keogh
Req. Chris Danzi

Wednesday

7:30 AM

February 1

Dolores Walingavich
Req. Ray and Linda Mackalonis

Thursday

7:30 AM

February 2

People of the Parish

Friday

7:30 AM

February 3

Kimberly Blakely
Req. Kolbinger Family

Saturday

7:30 AM

February 4

People of the Parish

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday

5:00 PM

February 4

Michael Masonus
Req. Daughters

Sunday

9:00 AM

February 5

Leo Yarmolowicz
Req. Yarmolowicz Family

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF

JANUARY 29, 2023

Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish / OLS

Sanctuary Lamp...

People of the Parish / OLS

Altar Candles...

People of the Parish / OLS



Let us remember all our family members, loved ones, and fellow parishioners who have died, especially **Dolores Walingavich**, 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 **Maria Cunha, Gary Davitt, Meme Evans, Kathleen Fudali, Jay Harris, Ted Hirschi, Alice Keogh, 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.



KEARNY FOOD PANTRY NETWORK

Please help support the Kearny Food Pantry Network by donating non-perishable food in the bins located in the back of the Church.

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