



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

April 9, 2023

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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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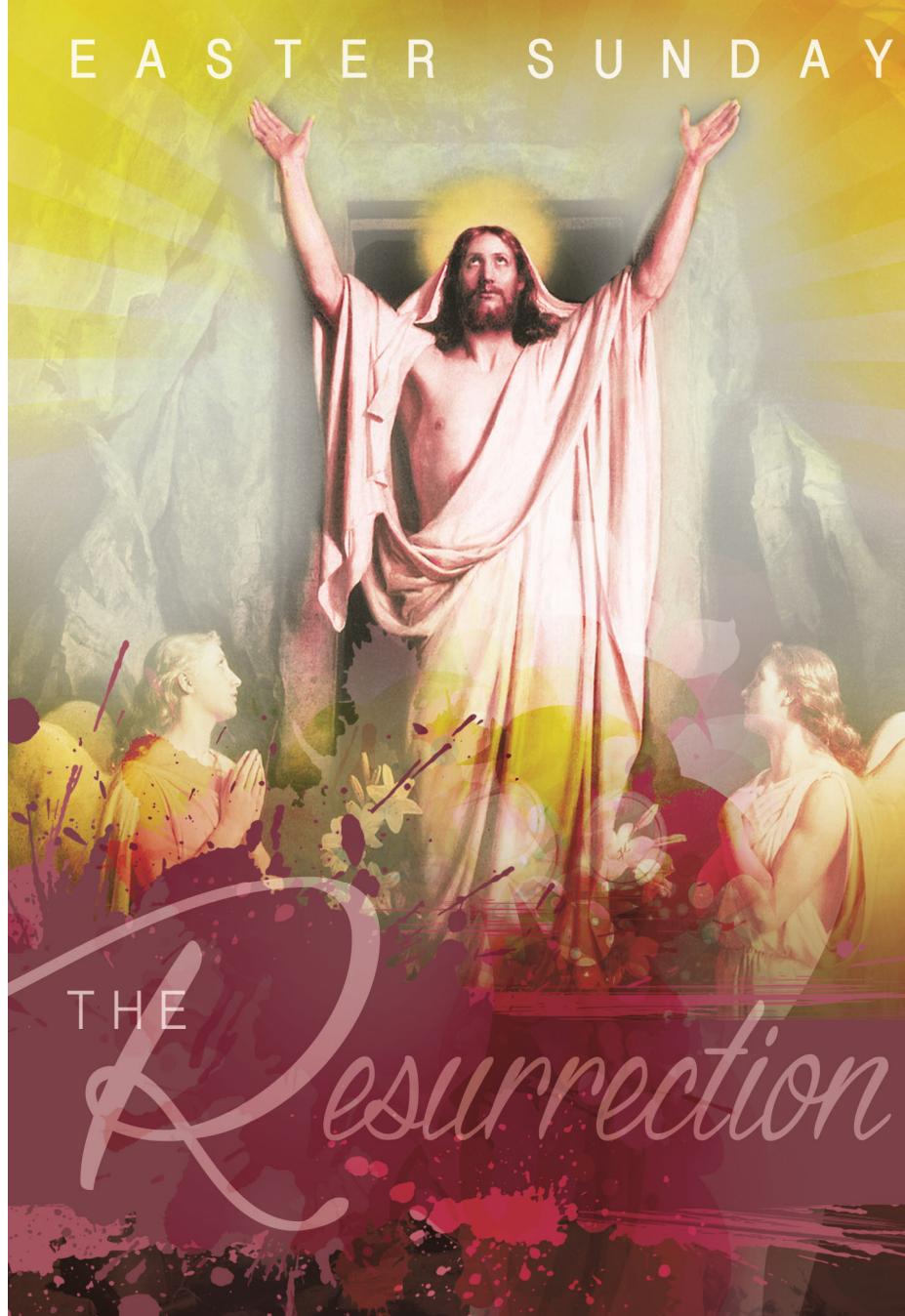
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WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH!

OUR MISSION

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 and put them into practice in our daily lives as we answer His call to evangelization.



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GOSPEL MEDITATION

April 9, 2023 EASTER SUNDAY

"When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons."

(Mark 16:9)

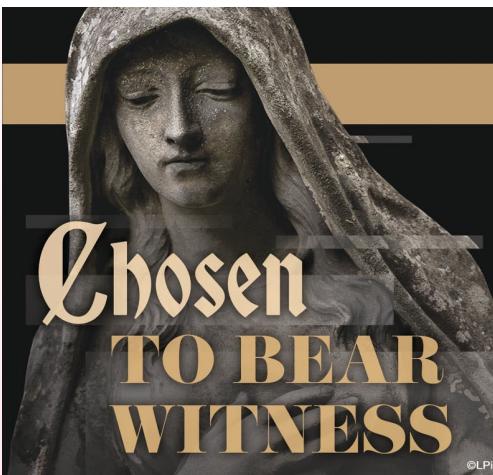
Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it's simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, **"out of whom he had driven seven demons."**

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary's past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such evil? It doesn't seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don't. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all these past demons make our witness that much more believable — only if we allow ourselves to be touched by the liberating hand of Christ, just as Mary Magdalene did.

— Father John Muir

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EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

Come to Christ

Life is perhaps God's greatest gift to each of us. Without life, we would be unable to experience all the wonder of this world, the love of family and friends, and the joy that comes from using our talents and skills. Life itself is more profound a gift than we can even truly contemplate.

On Easter, we celebrate life. For on this day, Jesus Christ conquered death and gave to us the chance for a life eternal. The wonder, love, and joy of this world does not have to end. Through a life in Jesus Christ, these emotions are heightened, and we find even greater fulfillment in this world.

Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. If so, welcome to the journey, where there are many other disciples on that same path who can help show you the way and share their stories. If not, hopefully it doesn't take a whole year for this possibility to be considered again. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter!

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Child Abuse Prevention Month

- The Archdiocese of Newark is committed to helping survivors of childhood sexual abuse heal. Gina Criscuolo, the Coordinator of the Office of Accompaniment, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, provides compassionate and supportive assistance to those who have been victims/survivors of child sexual abuse. Please visit www.rcan.org and click Safe Environment, or call (973) 497-4210.
- Safe Environment training is taking place in all dioceses of the United States. In the Archdiocese of Newark, over 100,000 adults have received training to recognize, respond and report child sexual abuse and exploitation since 2003, in our multi-class in-person and online curriculum. Call Ralph Lilore, the Coordinator of the Office of Child and Youth Protection, for more information on this training at (973) 497-4578.

PARISH REGISTRATION

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.

Annual Appeal ^{the 2023}

Please help us reach our goal. Donations can be made online at 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/sharing.



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On behalf of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Community, whether you are a visitor or parishioner, we welcome you and wish you blessings on this Easter Sunday and every day. We pray that our Risen Lord will be revealed to you in Word and Sacrament, in the love of family, friends and Church, in the witness of charity and holiness of life.

Happy Easter,

Fr. John , Fr. Juan Carlos, Fr. Pat
Deacon Len and Deacon John

2022-2023 Religious Education

April 9	No Class (Easter Sunday)
April 16	Class
April 23	Class
April 30	Class

Fulfilling Your Easter Duty

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 26, 2023 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 4, 2023.**

*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.

Weekly collections

1 st collection	03/26/2023	\$968.00
2 nd collection	03/26/2023	\$439.00

Due to the production schedule, the collections for the weekend of April 1/2 and Holy Week will appear in a future bulletin. The second collection for the weekend of April 15/16 is for the Archdiocesan Monthly Assessment.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

7:30 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 8 Holy Saturday

Solemn Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Spiritual Bouquets

April 9 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Spiritual Bouquets

April 10

Alexander Mazur

Req. Dorothy Songile

April 11

John Miterko

Req. Gen Mazur and Family

April 12

Sergio Sanchez 3rd Anniversary

Req. Marlene Sanchez

April 13

Carri Lynn Primavera

Req. Joe Kocielek

April 14

Bobby O'Neill and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

April 15

Michael Fahy and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM

Memorials for the week of

April 9, 2023



Altar Bread & Wine...

Eileen Ross / Mary Mooney & Family

Sanctuary Lamp...

Eileen Ross / Mary Mooney & Family

Altar Candles...

Eileen Ross / Mary Mooney & Family

Pray for the Sick

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Let us remember all our family members, loved ones, and fellow parishioners who have died, especially **Brigitte Jankiewicz**, 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.