



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

April 16, 2023—2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

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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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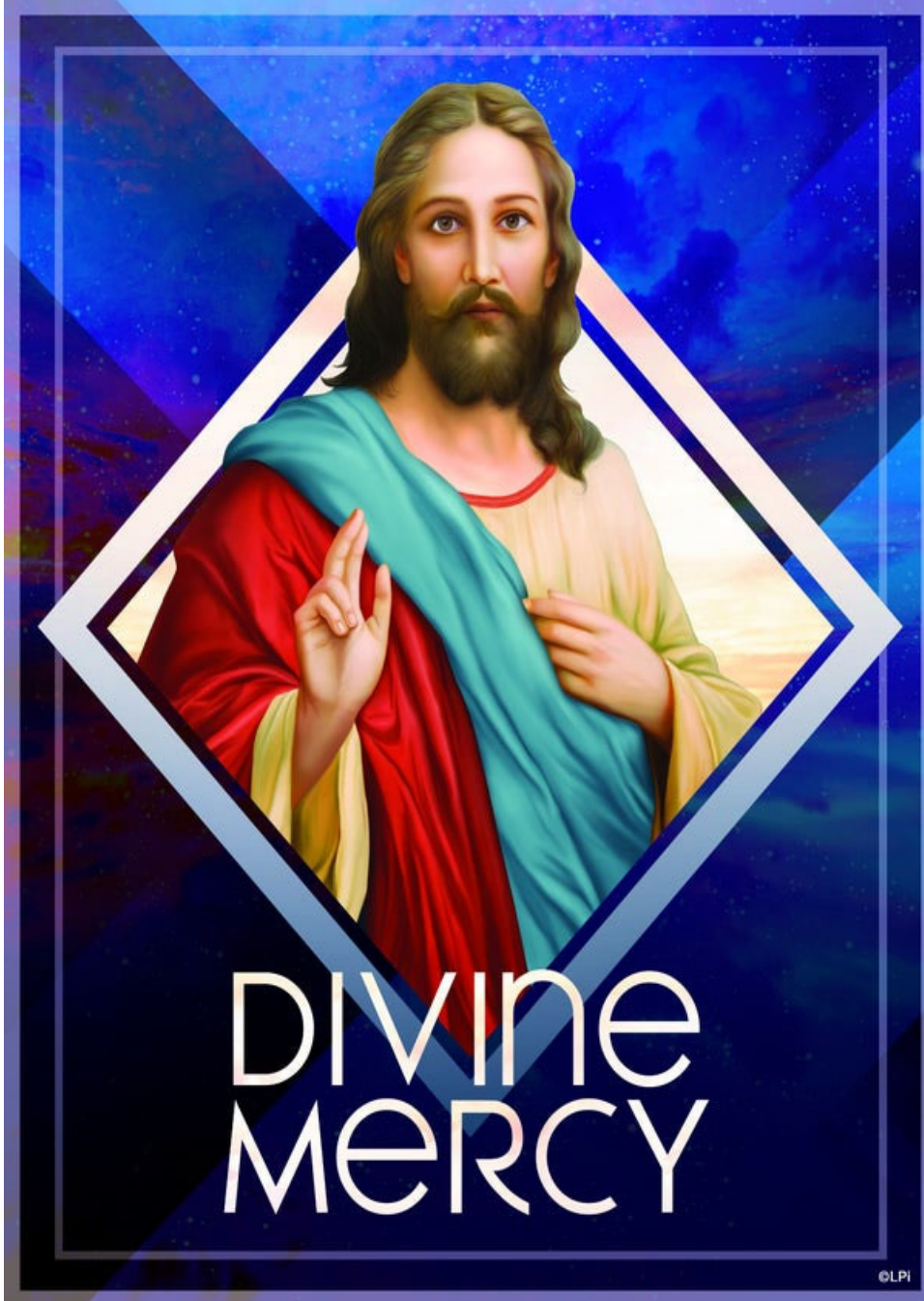
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DIVINE MERCY

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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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Church, Kearny, NJ

GOSPEL MEDITATION

April 16, 2023
2nd Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

A young, engaged couple sat on the couch in front of me as we chatted about their upcoming marriage. The young lady was struggling to trust her future husband. She told me her father had been unfaithful to her mother. She said of her fiancé, "I want him to prove to me that he won't cheat on me." The young man looked at me helplessly, raised his eyebrows and shrugged his shoulders. What evidence could he possibly give to validate such a proof? Nothing. All he could do was invite her to trust him.



We all are wounded by experiences of imperfect love. We also are tempted to demand from God proof of His fidelity and goodness. We are like St. Thomas the Apostle who, on that second Sunday of Easter, demands proof of the Lord's resurrection. "**Unless I see the mark of the nail ... I will not believe.**" Our science, technology and mathematics can indeed prove a great deal. But there are some things that require trusting another person. We prove promises of love only by trusting.

St. Thomas indeed saw the wounds of Jesus and believed. But there is an even greater blessing for us who simply trust Him — and all the truths the Church proclaims — because of the trustworthiness of the Risen One who speaks. This week let's trust Jesus without seeing him.

— *Father John Muir*
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Everyday Stewardship

Due to the constant unchecked flow of data and information through the Internet, it can be hard to know when a story is real news or rubbish. It never ceases to amaze me when someone I know has bought into some crazy fake news story. Sometimes the story is just so unbelievable: celebrities who gained two hundred pounds in a month, women having babies who were never pregnant, or people actually being seen who are dead! Like Elvis!

The apostle Thomas found the news that Jesus was alive just too far-fetched to believe. But he didn't first hear the news on the Internet or read it standing in the grocery store checkout line. His friends told him. His fellow apostles told him they had actually seen the Lord with their own eyes. Their testimony was not enough. He needed proof.

The resurrection of Jesus gives us not only hope, but also a reason to be his disciples. We have not seen with our own eyes but, like Thomas, we have a community, the Church, that has relayed the truth to us. This same Jesus now calls us to go forth to spread the Gospel. More unbelievable than that, we have, through the gifts we have been given, a chance to change and even save lives. The day may come that you, moved by this news of the risen Lord, will be an agent of his love to the point where someone will tell the tale that you, a follower of Jesus, actually helped to change his or her life. Pretty unbelievable, right?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Child Abuse Prevention Month

- All our Catholic school children, all children in parish faith formation programs receive annual training in how to keep themselves safe. Do you know the risks children face from their use of the Internet and cell phone apps? Do you speak about these risks with the children in your life? Would you know how to report a disclosure? Find out more about this training by going to www.rcan.org, and clicking Safe Environment, and then click Empowering God's Children.

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.

Open House at Saint Peter's Prep

Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Spring Open House on Sunday, April 30 from 1:00-3:00pm at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. Saint Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and it remains New Jersey's only Jesuit high school. For more information on the Spring Open House, please call 201-547-6389.

Welcome to the Family of the Faith

Congratulations and welcome into full fellowship in the Catholic Faith

Andrew Avila

who received the Sacraments of Full Initiation at our beautiful Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 8, 2023.

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.



2022-2023 Religious Education

April 16	Class
April 23	Class
April 30	Class
May 7	Class (First Holy Communion)

Weekly collections

1 st collection	04/02/2023	\$1297.00
2 nd collection	04/02/2023	\$ 511.00
Easter Gift	04/09/2023	\$7980.00

There is no second collection for the weekend of April 22/23. Mother's Day Remembrance envelopes can be placed in the basket or dropped off at the Rectory office before Friday, May 12th.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!

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.

His mercy endures forever.

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MASST INTENTIONS

Saturday

5:00 PM

April 15

Edward McBride 3rd Anniversary
Req. Chris Danzi

Sunday

9:00 AM

April 16

Sergio Sanchez
Req. Marlene Sanchez

Monday

7:30 AM

April 17

Alexander Mazur
Req. Loretta Wolenski

Tuesday

7:30 AM

April 18

Colleen Choffo and
Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

Wednesday

7:30 AM

April 19

Anthony Daunoras
Req. Kathy Daunoras

Thursday

7:30 AM

April 20

Dulcinha Silva and Family
Req. Miranda Family

Friday

7:30 AM

April 21

Richard Theobald and
Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

Saturday

7:30 AM

April 22

Calvin Theobald and
Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday

5:00 PM

April 22

Walter P. and Frances Bayard
Req. Ray and Linda Mackalonis

Sunday

9:00 AM

April 23

Scott and Edward McBride
Req. Dorothy McBride

Memorials for the week of

April 16, 2023



Altar Bread & Wine...

Brigitte Jankiewicz / OLS

Sanctuary Lamp...

Brigitte Jankiewicz / OLS

Altar Candles...

Brigitte Jankiewicz / OLS

Pray for the Sick

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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 **Maria Cunha, Gary Davitt, Meme Evans, Kathleen Fudali, Jay Harris, Ted Hirschi, Alice Keogh, Jaxson Rivera, June Struziński, Irene Zarbetski**, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".

May God grant them healing.