



# Our Lady of Sorrows Church

July 16, 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.)

## PARISH STAFF

*Served by*

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## 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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## 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.



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Church, Kearny, NJ

## 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.

### GOSPEL MEDITATION

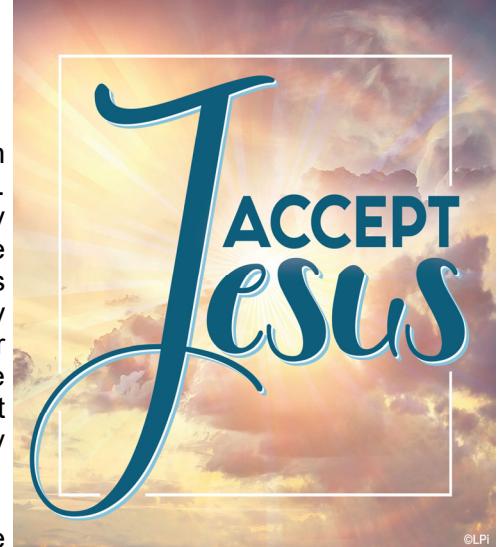
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15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a *relationship*, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed.

— Father John Muir ©LPI



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### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Focus on the Good

When I was a child, my mother had a set of sculptures resembling three human heads. One head had hands over the ears, one had hands over the eyes, and one had hands over the mouth. Of course, they depicted the phrase, "Hear no evil; see no evil; speak no evil." I have seen these images repeated many times since then, usually as the monkey heads from a Japanese proverb, which would have probably seemed a little less creepy to me when I was a small child. Apparently, there is no consensus about the full meaning or certain origin of these three images nor the phrase. At the very least, it causes us to reflect on the need to avoid evil and look for the good in things.

As I have lived my life, I have come to believe there are more people who live their lives in a contrary manner to these images. It is not that they seek evil, but it is as if they "see no good, hear no good, and speak no good." Gossiping is the way they pass the time, and they always seem to find the negative in people and situations. Being a good steward certainly means that we do not seek evil, but more than that, it means that we see the abundance of good things all around us. These gifts of God are big and little, profound and ordinary. By seeing the world in this way, we begin to change our personalities and our overall disposition. We always need to follow a new proverb: see all the good, hear all the good, and speak about the good. Amen.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

### Kearny Food Pantry Network

Help support the Kearny Food Pantry Network by donating non-perishable food to the First Presbyterian Church in Kearny. The Kearny Food Pantry Network distributes bags of food to Kearny residents on the first and third Friday of every month from 10:15am-1pm. The Kearny Food Pantry is located in the First Presbyterian Church of Arlington, 663 Kearny Avenue, Kearny, NJ. **Please note: Our Lady of Sorrows Church will no longer be accepting any non-perishable food on our premises.**



## Welcome to Our Lady of Sorrows

We welcome you to Our Lady of Sorrows Church and hope that you will soon feel like a part of our community of faith. If this is your first time attending our Church or have been attending for a while, would you consider registering as a new parishioner? Becoming a registered member of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Family is simple. Registration forms are located on the table in the vestibule of the Church and at the Rectory office. Just fill out the form and drop it in the collection basket or stop in at the Rectory office to say hello. We would love to meet you!! Please call the office at (201) 998-4616 for more information.

**Reminder:** Help us keep our records up to date. If you plan on moving, no longer need donation envelopes, or have a change of address etc., please contact the Rectory office. Thank you for your cooperation!

## 2023-2024 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.)

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

## 2023 Mass Book

We have many daily and weekend Masses available for the rest of 2023. Kindly contact the office to reserve any dates for 2023. Weekend Masses are limited to one per person to be fair to all. There is no limit on the available daily Masses. It will be on a first come, first serve basis for the dates available. Thank you for your understanding and support!



Thank you to all who responded generously and in support of the Vocationist Fathers Mission Appeal. Let us commit to remembering them and their good works in our prayers.



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

# MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday

5:00 PM

### July 15

Charles and Mary Kashauer  
Req. Daughter, Joan

### July 16

Paul and Richard Fudali, and  
James Gelcius  
Req. Family

### July 17

Harold Faulk and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### July 18

Carri Lynn Primavera  
Req. Joe Kocielek

### July 19

Jimmy Jackson and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### July 20

Joseph Dante and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### July 21

Jack Ochsner and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### July 22

Huey Hays and  
Deceased Members of FOSS  
Req. FOSS

### 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### July 22

Juan Lago  
Req. Lago Family

### July 23

Martha and Steve Heteyey, Nora and Rosali  
Req. Kathy Fudali

### Memorials for the week of July 16, 2023



#### Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish

#### Sanctuary Lamp...

People of the Parish

#### Altar Candles...

People of the Parish

### Weekly collections

1<sup>st</sup> collection 07/02/2023 \$723.00

2<sup>nd</sup> collection 07/02/2023 \$399.00

1<sup>st</sup> collection 07/09/2023 \$906.00

2<sup>nd</sup> collection 07/09/2023 \$327.00

The second collection for the weekend of  
July 22/23 is for the Archdiocesan Retired Priests.

**Thank you for your continued support and generosity!!**