



# Our Lady of Sorrows Church

April 20, 2025

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## **SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST**

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM

Saturday evening Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses:

7:00 AM | 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*

**Rev. Cesar J. Quiñones**

Pastor

(201) 991-1116

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Parochial Vicar

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**Rev. Richard J. Mroz**

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**Deacon John Sarnas**

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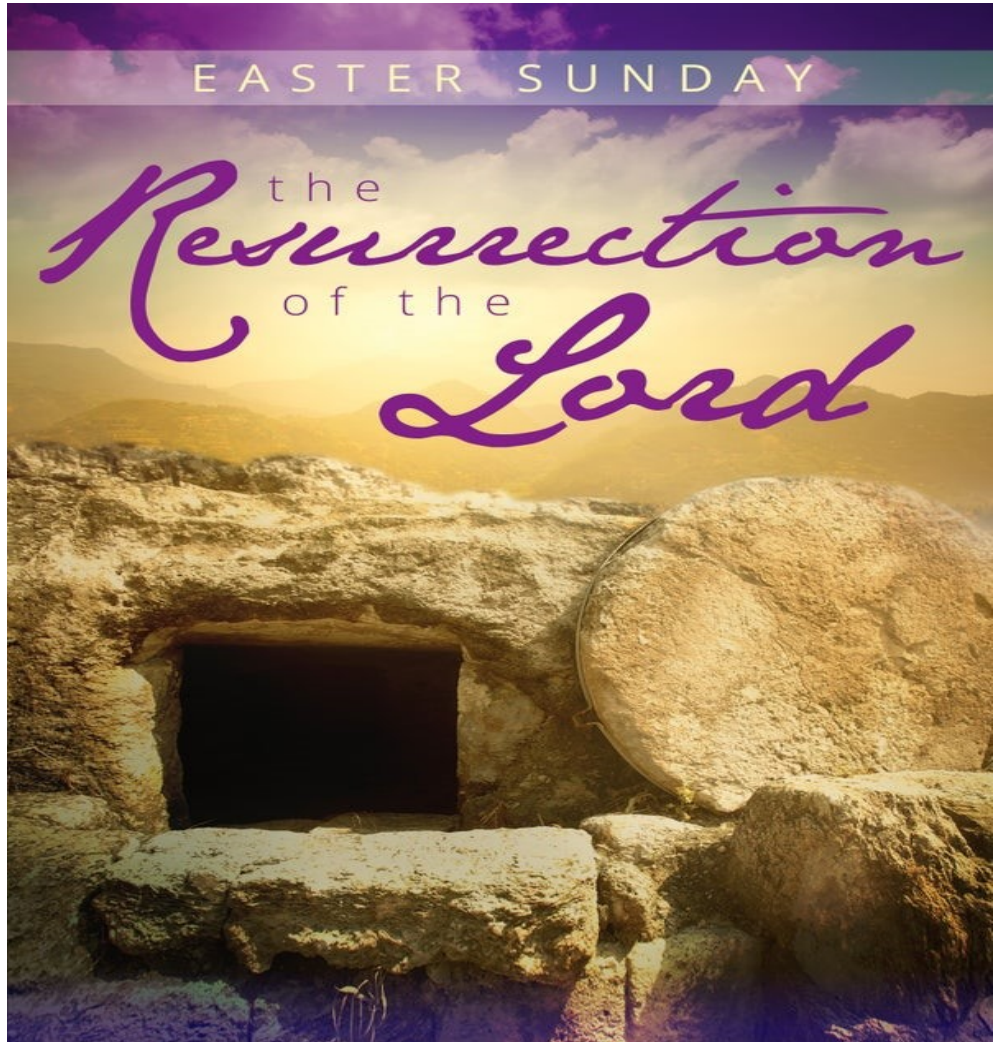
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**Mrs. Linda Mackalonis**

Parish Council Coordinator

**Mr. Andrew Clapsy, Trustee**

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**April 20, 2025**  
**Easter Sunday**  
**John 20: 1-9**

When I was a young boy, my parents told me about their wedding. Then a few years later, they showed me my mother's wedding dress and my dad's suit. It was astonishing to see and touch garments that connected me to the event that led to my existence. Of course, I already believed they were married based on their word. But these holy garments made the event real and tangible for me. Something like this is at play when St. John reports encountering in Jesus' tomb, **"the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place"** (John 20:7). Those two separate cloths, for his head and for his body respectively, meant a great deal to St. John and to the early Christians. Some years after the resurrection, there surfaced reports of two cloths with unusual characteristics, one bearing the image of a crucified man's body, another smaller one with the image of a wounded man's face. Some call them the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello; they both can be seen today. These two cloths have a long and complicated history, and scholars debate aspects of them. If you're curious, I encourage you to read about them. To be clear, I believe in the resurrection of Jesus because of the testimony of eyewitnesses and the gift of faith in the Church. Nevertheless, seeing these two mysterious cloths have made the life-giving event of Jesus' resurrection more real and tangible for me. Maybe they will for you, too.

— *Father John Muir*

#### **Safe Environment Corner: How to Report Abuse**

The Archdiocese of Newark, along with Our Lady of Sorrows Church, take very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at **(201) 407-3256**.



*Roman Catholic*  
*Archdiocese of Newark*

#### **2025 LENTEN REGULATIONS**

1) The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

\*On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and **two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.** Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. \*On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2) **The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.**

3) The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4) The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 09, 2025 to the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 15, 2025.**

**\*\*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.*

**There are no Baptisms during Lent.**

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. Cesar, Fr. Octavio, Fr. Richard  
and Deacon John



*The Resurrection*  
**OF THE LORD**

## 2025 Annual Appeal

The "In Pew" weekend for the 2025 Annual Appeal is March 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you donated in the past, you should have received an invitation in the mail from Cardinal Tobin for the Annual Appeal. The Annual Appeal will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the Gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins. Please prayerfully consider making a donation to the 2025 Annual Appeal. Thank you for your generosity.

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

### Prayer for Easter

Blessed be God who has triumphed over the grave!  
Our Lord is victorious!  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
May the joy of Easter fill every part of our lives!  
AMEN.



### Thank You!!

The Rosary Society of Our Lady of Sorrows Church is sincerely grateful to all those who participated in the purchase of Palm Crosses the weekend of April 5th and April 6th. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Closed on Easter Monday

The Rectory will be closed for Easter Monday, April 21th. We will re-open on Tuesday, April 22nd. at 9:00 A.M.

### 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. (201) 998-4616.



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:

**Jean Morton, Ted Hirschi, June Struzienski, Irene Zarbetski, Rev. Patrick R.C. Wilhelm, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".**

**May God grant them healing.**

**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.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 20, 2025

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 19-EASTER VIGEL</b> There is No Morning Mass Confessions will be between 11:30 am to 12:00 pm Blessing of the Food at 12:00 pm Spiritual Bouquets
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 20-EASTER SUNDAY</b> Spiritual Bouquets
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 21</b> No Morning Mass.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 22</b> Colleen Choffo and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 23</b> Sorrel Leckowski and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 24</b> Isabelle Lunney and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 25</b> Joe Schultz and Deceased Members of FOSS Req. FOSS

**No Saturday 7:00 a.m. Mass**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 26</b> Jack Lucy Req. Irene Potts
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 27</b> Edmund Rokas Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

### Memorials for the week of April 20, 2025



**Altar Bread & Wine...**  
*People of the Parish*  
**Sanctuary Lamp...**  
*People of the Parish*  
**Altar Candles...**  
*People of the parish*

### Weekly collections

1st. Collection	04/06/25	\$959.00
2nd. Collection	04/06/25	\$366.00

The collection for 4/13/25 will be in a future bulletin.

The 2nd collection for 4/27/25 will be for Catholic Home Missions.

Mother's Day Remembrance envelopes can be placed in the basket or dropped of at the Rectory Office.

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