



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

September 21, 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

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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon." - Lk 16:8b, 13

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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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Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic 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

September 21, 2025
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 16:10-13

Before I was a priest, I was a lazy worker for a retail Apple store. Hearing a rumor that my boss was going to fire me, I secretly sold iPhones for half-price, gave away dozens of free iPads, and donated several brand-new laptops to managers in other stores in the mall. After a week, my boss called me into his office. He knew what I was up to. He said I had cost the store thousands of dollars. "Really great work, John," he said. "I am going to recommend you to be my assistant manager and double your pay." I was amazed. And so are you. Which is understandable because it never happened. How could it? My tall tale is a retelling of Jesus' brow-furrowing parable we hear this week. A lazy, dishonest steward defrauds his boss and then the **"master commended the dishonest servant for acting prudently"** (Luke 16:8). What is the Lord saying to us? Most of us treat our spiritual lives like a lazy teenager at an Apple store. We really don't care. We go through the motions. Then, if we are lucky, something happens that shakes us to spiritual action; to employ whatever time, money, and resources we have to build around us a strong network of love. Every saint did that. Our Lord is so good he *wants* us to use his stuff to forgive debts and to bless others. He wants us to ensure our future. So do it!

— Father John Muir



BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER FOR CHILDREN

Dear Lord,
As our students begin a new school year, we pray that you will keep them in your care. Send your Spirit to open their minds to all that is true and beautiful and good. Help them to see the gifts and talents you have given them and to use them well. Help them to grow in knowledge and wisdom. Help them to be kind to others and lead others to be kind to them". AMEN.

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.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN
YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What's Most Important?

I hold to the belief that you cannot have allegiances to both Duke and UNC, the Packers and the Bears, or the Yankees and the Red Sox. In Matthew 6:24, it says, *"He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other."* That verse isn't talking about sports! It's talking about God and money. Most of us love both of those and that can be a problem. If you were to love any of the sets of teams mentioned above, you have a huge problem as well. Simply put, you can only have one thing that is the most important in your life. When I ask my children what is the most important thing in their lives, they know to respond, "God." But just because you know that is the right answer doesn't make it the truthful answer. Total allegiance to a sports team seems easier. You won't find a Packers fans secretly wearing a Bear's jersey. However, we can find Christians secretly hoarding their money or doing things based solely on the love of money. Maybe the problem lies in the fact that, at times, we are merely Lukewarm fans of Jesus and not disciples. If we truly have matured in our faith and strengthened our relationship with him, then real commitment comes easier. There will always be a temptation for money to take the place of Jesus, but the more committed we are, the harder it is to allow anything to come between us and our God. The question we all must continually ask ourselves is, "Is God truly the most important thing in my life?"

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

NEW MISSALETTE MEMORIALS

We are purchasing new missal books which will be used for one year beginning with Advent. The Missals are available as a memorial for a loved one at \$100.00 for 20 Missals, labeled with the name on each. If you would like to memorialized your loved ones in sponsoring these Missals, please fill out the coupon below and return it to the Rectory or place it in the collection basket. Missalettes will be delivered by mid/late October.

PLACE YOUR ORDER SOON.
Thank you for your support.

(Only 10 sets will be sold)
MISSALETTE MEMORIALS

Donor: _____

In Memory of: _____

20 Missals/set @ \$100.00. Available on a first-come first basis.

2025 Annual Appeal

The "In Pew" weekend for the 2025 Annual Appeal is March 1st and 2nd. 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.

Devotions, *Explained!* The Jesus Prayer

The Jesus Prayer, *Explained!*

The Jesus Prayer is a short invocation of mercy in the name of Jesus: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner." The exact origins of the prayer are unclear, though it is often attributed to the tradition of Eastern Christianity, possibly via the Desert Fathers (early Christian ascetics who dwelled in Egypt). The prayer has been important to the traditions of both the Eastern Orthodox and the Eastern Catholic faithful. The text echoes the words of the publican in the parable from Luke 18:9-14, whose humble manner of prayer was praised by Jesus. Its short form and simple wording make it ideal for meditative prayer. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, in paragraph 2667, highlights the Jesus Prayer, saying that "by it the heart is opened to human wretchedness and the Savior's mercy."



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:

Ted Hirschi, June Struziensi, 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.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK **OF September 21, 2025**

Saturday

5:00 PM

September 20

Margaret Masonus and Rose Ann Mobus
Req. Donna Calcado

Sunday

9:00 AM

September 21

Florindo Ferreira
Req. Wife and Son

Monday

7:00 AM

September 22

Patty Hughes
and Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

Tuesday

7:00 AM

September 23

Barbera diPetro
and Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

Wednesday

7:00 AM

September 24

Vincent Mangrella
Req. Aunt Toni

Thursday

7:00 AM

September 25

Mr. Hicks
and Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

Friday

7:00 AM

September 26

Jenny Faulk
and Deceased Members of FOSS
Req. FOSS

NEW MASS SCHEDULE
No Saturday 7:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday

5:00 PM

September 27

Ismael Alvarez
Req. The Lago Family

Sunday

9:00 AM

September 28

Frank and Mary Abromaitis
Req. Leonard and Eleanor Rokas

Memorials for the week of September 21, 2025



Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp...

People of the Parish

Altar Candles...

People of the Parish

Weekly collections

1st. Collection	09/14/25	\$1,878.00
2nd. Collection	09/14/25	\$440.00

The collection for 9/28/25 will be for All Souls 7 day Candle.

Thank you for your continues 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 Monday thru Friday from 9AM to 12PM to make the necessary arrangements.
(201) 998-4616.