



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

December 21, 2025 - 4th Sunday of Advent

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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

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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.

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.

2026 MASS INTENTION BOOK

The **2026 Mass Intention Book is open**. Please note that there are changes with the Mass book for 2026. **Only 2 Sunday Masses** will be permitted **per ONE family**. Holy days of obligation will be available but limited to **ONE Mass per family**. You may mail in your requests, include a telephone number so the office staff can reach you in the event the date you requested has been taken. The Masses will be put into the book in the order they are received. All Mass stipends are \$10. There will be no individual intentions for Easter, Christmas, Mother's or Father's Day, and All Souls Day. If you want to receive confirmation of your Mass requests, please include a stamped self-addressed envelope.

A note from the Rosary Society



The Rosary Society would like to express our appreciation to everyone who purchased a Poinsettia plant. Thank you for supporting the Rosarians and Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA MEMORIALS

Donations will be accepted toward the purchase of Christmas Poinsettias in memory of a loved one or special intention. These flowers will be placed on the Altars of the Church during the Christmas Season. The envelopes for the Christmas flowers are located on the table in the back of the Church. Please place it with your donation in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory office mail slot.



CHRISTMAS WAFERS



The celebration of Christmas by American families is enriched spiritually when the time honored "Old Country" traditional customs are adopted. The father breaks the Christmas Wafer into pieces, which he shares with his wife and children as they sit around the table covered with a white cloth, under which there is straw, as a reminder of the Holy Child's Manger in Bethlehem. As the members share this "bread of peace and reconciliation" they wish one another happiness and joy for the Christmas Season and the New Year, mutually asking and receiving forgiveness for any hurts or offenses they may have been guilty of during the last twelve months.

Wafers are available at the Rectory office. Kindly contact the Rectory office to arrange a time to pick up the wafers. Cost: \$5.00.

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Prayer for Advent—Miracles

Dear God,

You are in the miracle business. I still believe that You can move mountains and separate seas. Break into every unknown and astound us with Your goodness and grace. AMEN.



Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use EthicsPoint, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.

CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE

Christmas Vigil and Day Masses will be offered for all individuals, living or deceased, whose names appear on the Christmas Mass Remembrance and Spiritual Bouquet envelopes. The suggested donation is \$5.00. The Spiritual Bouquet Christmas cards to present or send to family members and friends are available at the Rectory office. Please contact the Rectory office to arrange a time to pick up your Spiritual Bouquet Christmas card. All intentions will be placed on the altar during all Christmas Masses.

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.

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.

*Sharing with you the Glory, the Wonder,
the Miracle of this Holy Season.*

On behalf of the Priests, Deacon and Staff of Our Lady of Sorrows, we would like to wish everyone a Blessed Holy Season.

Merry Christmas

Baby Jesus, Love, Faith, Hope, Miracles, Peace.

The Greatest Gifts Don't Have Bows



Holiday Office Hours

The Rectory Office will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. We will re-open on Friday, Dec. 26th at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.. Everyone have a Blessed Holiday.



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 Struzienski, Irene Zarbetski, Rev. Patrick R.C. Wilhelm, Cesar Chacon, and all those whose names appear in our "Parish Book of Prayers for the Sick".

May God grant them healing.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF December 21, 2025

Saturday

5:00 PM

December 20

Ana and Antonio Reina

Req. Linda Reina

Sunday

9:00 AM

December 21

Albin Gaitka

Req. Queen of Peace

Knights of Columbus

Monday

7:00 AM

December 22

Brennan Ochsner and

Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Tuesday

7:00 AM

December 23

Sister Joann Marie Aumand SCC (Living)

Req. Theresa Tiberi

Wednesday

7:00 AM

December 24 - Christmas Eve

There is no 7:00 AM Mass

5:00 PM

Spiritual Bouquets

Thursday

9:00 AM

December 25 - Christmas Day

Spiritual Bouquets

Friday

7:00 AM

December 26

Audencio and Nereida Perez (Living)

Req. Theresa Tiberi

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

Saturday

5:00 PM

December 27

Mark Laytos

Req. Alice Keogh

Sunday

9:00 AM

December 28

Florindo Ferreira

Req. Wife and Son

Memorials for the week of December 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 12/07/25 \$963.00

2nd. Collection 12/07/25 \$294.00

The collection for 12/14/25 will be in next week's bulletin.

There is no second collection for 12/28/25.

Thank you for your continues support and generosity!

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.