



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

June 21, 2026

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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

9:00 AM—12:00 PM

(The office is closed on Saturday & Sunday.)

PARISH STAFF

Served by

Rev. Cesar J. Quiñones

Pastor

(201) 991-1116

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Mrs. Gina Sgalia-Ball

Director of Music

Ms. Donna Calcado

Office Manager

Mr. Andrew Clappsy, Trustee

Mr. Gregory Cierpial, Trustee

GOD BLESS OUR FATHERS



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

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN
YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

June 21, 2026
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 10:26-33

Jean Améry, a Holocaust survivor tortured by the Nazis, later wrote about the abyss of human evil. He described his reaction as an "indignant despair." Haven't we all, to some degree, felt that abyss opened beneath us? A sudden loss, a violent headline, a moment of loneliness or panic, when the world feels fragile and meaning seems to collapse? It is to this fear that Jesus speaks in today's Gospel: **"Do not be afraid of those who can kill the body."** (Matthew 10:28) He does not deny evil or pretend we will never suffer. Instead, He reframes the abyss: do not fear those who can kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Your life is seen, known, and counted by the Father. Even the hairs of your head, even the sparrow's fall. This is no superficial comfort. Jesus himself has entered the abyss: suffering, death, even our sense of forsakenness, and he has come through it. That is why his words, "Do not be afraid," hold such weight. They do not erase the abyss but build a bridge across it. Faith is not pretending everything is fine. It is staring into the abyss and still choosing trust. And in that trust, we discover we are never alone. Christ stands with us, and the Father's care surrounds us. That is the only comfort deep enough for our (often fearful) hearts.

— Father John Muir

Will You Say Yes?

You find yourself in the difficult situation of being accused of blasphemy and confronting possible execution. Your crime is believing in Jesus Christ. The question is then asked of you, "Are you a Christian, a follower of the one named Jesus Christ?" Your answer may very well dictate what happens to you next. What is your answer? It is probably easier to answer this question when the scenario is make-believe. All of us want to believe that we would say yes to the question of belief in Jesus, but strange things happen when humans panic in the face of extreme stress. As we reflect on what we would say, there are those all over the world who are being asked that very same question. It is a question that was asked of many in the first centuries of the Church. Those who respond "yes" are considered martyrs and saints. We might not usually think of all this in terms of good stewardship living. However, our faith is also a gift we have received from God to cultivate, grow, and share with others. The more interesting question than the one posed above is, "Would an accuser even think of asking you such a question?" Would you have cultivated, grown, and shared your faith enough that anyone would even consider you worthy of asking the question? They might assume you don't know Jesus Christ at all. I don't like conflict and do not seek out conflict, but I would rather someone ask the first question posed than assume there is no reason to confront me in the first place.

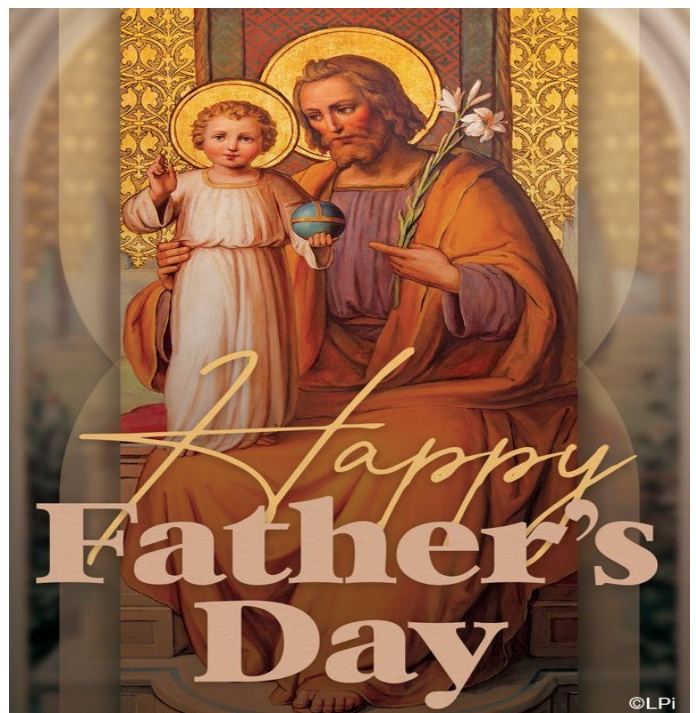
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



BLESSINGS FOR FATHERS

God and Father of all creation, we come before you today with humble hearts. You are our model of a loving father. When we fail and fall short of your expectations, you are always there at the end of the day with open arms, ready to heal the cuts and scrapes of the day and to encourage us to try again and not to give up. We hold up these men in our midst who act in the world as fathers to their children or models of fathers for others. Bless them in their moments of doubt and frustration with their children. Give them warm and open hearts to forgive failures. Provide them with the words needed for encouragement and perseverance.

We ask all this in the name of Jesus. AMEN.



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.



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, 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.

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**.

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.

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**.

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 June 21, 2026**



Saturday

5:00 PM

June 20

Spiritual Bouquets

For all Fathers Living and Deceased

Sunday

9:00 AM

June 21

Spiritual Bouquets

For all Fathers Living and Deceased

Monday

7:00 AM

June 22

Allison Graymour

and Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Tuesday

7:00 AM

June 23

John Clark

and Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Wednesday

7:00 AM

June 24

Christina Watson

and Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Thursday

7:00 AM

June 25

Kevin Tilson

and Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

Friday

7:00 AM

June 26

All Souls in Purgatory

and Deceased Members of FOSS

Req. FOSS

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

Saturday

5:00 PM

June 27

Manuel Calcado

Req. The Family

Sunday

9:00 AM

June 28

Linda Mackalonis

Req. Genevieve Mazur & Family

Memorials for the week of June 21, 2026



Altar Bread & Wine...

People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp...

People of the Parish

Altar Candles...

People of the Parish

Weekly collections

The collection for 06/14/26 will be in a future bulletin.

The second collection for 06/28/26 will be for Peter's Pence.

Thank you for your continues support and generosity!