

April 11, 2021

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

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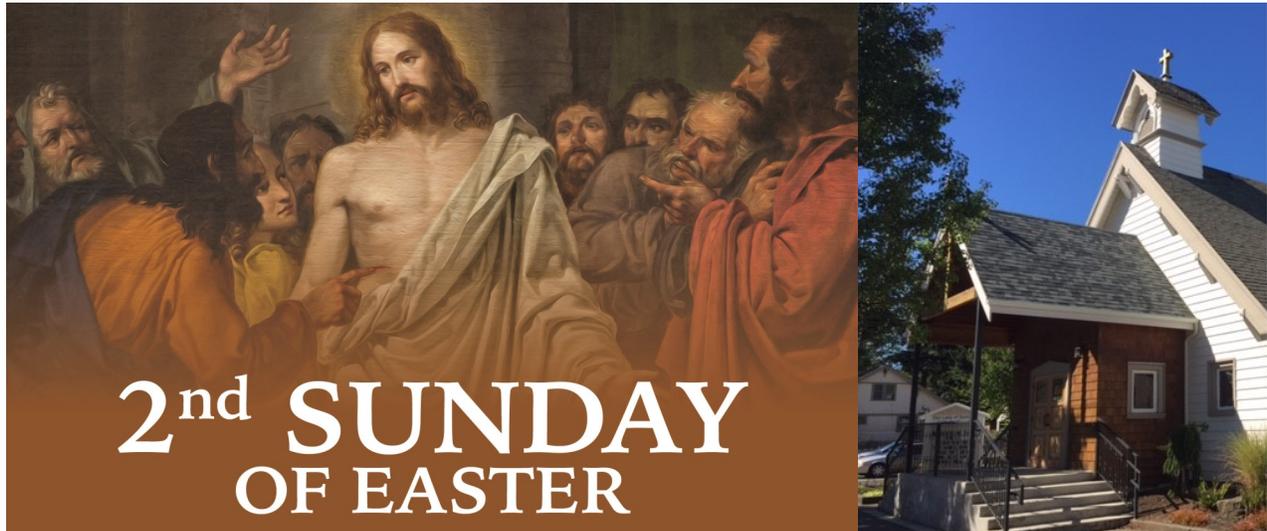
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8:30 AM—4:00 PM

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2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil:

5:00 PM

Sunday:

8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Daily Mass:

Wednesday—Friday, 12:00 PM

Holy Days: 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30—4:30 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Church from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

(Call the office for door access code)

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Mass.

Welcome to all visitors!

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish is a Catholic community of Christian believers devoted to the Holy Eucharist and called to proclaim the Good News of Jesus through evangelization and outreach.

Assistance with rent, food, and utilities

St. Vincent de Paul Emergency Services

Center: (503) 235-8431

#1 Food or #2 Rent/Utilities

Monday - Friday, 9:30 am to 12 noon, and
1 pm to 3:30 pm

(Multnomah and Clackamas County)

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays by 12:00 pm

Parish Staff

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Tony Graham, Cynthia Roberti

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Damir Karin, Carl Duyn, Ben Bortolazzo, Kai Fuhrmann,
Melba Ganaban

Hearing assistance devices are available at the side entrance of the church for anyone's use.



Gluten-free Communion hosts are available upon request. Come into the sacristy **before** Mass to tell either Father, James, or a Sacristan helper that you want one and it will be put on the altar.

If you have information about an event that you would like included in this bulletin, contact James Bartel at the office at (503) 775-6731, Ext. 104, or e-mail him at jbartel@olspdx.org.

Second Sunday of Easter

- 1) Acts 4:32-35 or **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**
- 2) 1 John 5:1-6
- 3) John 20:19-31

FOCUS: Faith in Jesus' resurrection has the power to transform our lives and the lives of those around us.

All three readings show the transformative power of belief in Jesus' resurrection. Saint John tells us that we become children of God through this belief. Thomas acknowledges Jesus as Lord and God in the Gospel, and he and the other Apostles go on to create an ideal community by proclaiming his resurrection in Jerusalem.

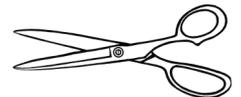
Sacrificial Giving Report

Week of April 4

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

Offertory	\$4,304.98
Online Donations	\$360.00
Votive Candles	\$77.33
Property Development Fund	\$352.00
Good Friday	\$843.00
Holy Thursday	\$351.00
Church Roof Repair	\$330.00

Please note that, if you have been having trouble using WeShare, it is because the system has been down for maintenance. It will be available again very soon.



Welcome to Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church. If you are new to the parish or have updated information, please cut out this form, fill in the information, and bring it to the Parish Office or put it in the collection basket.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

New Parishioner New Address New Phone # I would like Fr. Crispine to call me.

I'm interested in parish ministries I would like to receive offertory envelopes

Mass Intentions for the Week



Wed-14	12 pm	✠ Jeanette Baker <i>Marcella & Norbert Schaffler</i>
Thurs-15	12 pm	Mijo Skoro <i>Marijana Skoro</i>
Fri-16	12 pm	Mercedes Maria Makovjak <i>Rudy del Rosario</i>
Sat-17	5 pm	The Karmela Maric Family <i>Marijana Skoro</i>
Sun-18	8:30 am 11 am	Pro Populo ✠ Rush Limbaugh <i>Jim Bachman & All Dittoheads</i>

Prayer Line

(503) 775—6731, Ext. 111

Call today with your prayer intentions.

Our prayer warriors are standing by.



Prayer Corner

Please pray for the following people who are ill or recently deceased:

Marcus Spotts, Sally Allen, Ed Kraus, Stan and Dolores Rypczynski, Dolores and Donald Lorenzen, Charles Flores

May you find consolation in knowing that you are thought of and prayed for in this time of need.



LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Alleluia! Forgiveness has risen from the grave! What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. When experienced, we are moved to do all in our power to avoid sin and embrace the loving presence of our risen God. God stands ever ready to receive us and wants nothing more than for us to come home. How reluctant we are to believe this truth! We want proof, tangible evidence and absolute assurance that what we have been told is true. Jesus has risen from the dead and brings us peace. It is the gift of wholeness and holiness that is breathed upon us by God's life-giving and healing mercy. May the rays of love that flow from the heart of Christ pierce ours!

PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-12	Office Open, 9 am—3 pm
Tues-13	Office Open, 9 am—3 pm Adoration, 8 am—8 pm, Church
Wed-14	Office Open, 9 am—3 pm 12 pm Mass Confirmation Class, 6 pm, Parish Office Faith Formation for Adults, 7 pm, Parish Office
Thurs-15	Office Open, 9 am—3 pm 12 pm Mass
Fri-16	Office Open, 9 am—1 pm 12 pm Mass
Sat-17	Confessions, 3:30—4:30 pm 5 pm Vigil Mass
Sun-18	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i> Masses at 8:30 am and 11 am Children's Catechism Classes, 9:45 am, Parish Office

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS

Tuesday, April 13:

Leslie, Lolita, and Betty

WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of April 11, 2021

SUN 4/11	Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1j]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
MON 4/12	Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8
TUES 4/13	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
WED 4/14	Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
THR 4/15	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
FRI 4/16	Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15
SAT 4/17	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22j]/Jn 6:16-21
SUN 4/18	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 11, 2021

Sunday:	2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
Tuesday:	St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr
Thursday:	Tax Day
Next Sunday:	3rd Sunday of Easter

Pray for all affected by the coronavirus.

Archbishop's Catholic Appeal

If you have not yet had the chance to do so, please consider making a contribution to this year's Archbishop's Catholic Appeal (ACA). Pledge cards are available in the church and Parish Office, and you can mail them directly to the Pastoral Center; all postage is paid. Or, you can place your card in either the collection basket or mail slot of the Parish Office.

New Office Hours

Beginning this **Monday, April 12th**, the new hours of the Parish Office will be:

Monday—Thursday, 9 am to 3 pm

Friday, 9 am to 1 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Car Donations

The Portland Council of St. Vincent de Paul has a car donation program. If you have a vehicle that you would like to donate, call Katie Hill at the Council (503- 595-2286). Katie will take your information and arrange with Speed Towing to pick up the vehicle. A tax donation receipt will be given to you. The money received by the Council will be used to provide emergency financial assistance for clients or to purchase food for the Council's Mobile Kitchen. When you speak with Katie please let her know that you learned about this program through Our Lady of Sorrows and the OLS SVDP Conference will receive 25% of the funds.

Archbishop's Tea

Mark your calendars now and join us on Facebook for the 86th Annual Archbishop's Seminary Tea, benefiting the education of seminarians preparing to serve in the Archdiocese of Portland, in Oregon. Virtual program is Wednesday, April 14, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/seminarytea/. You can also donate anytime at www.seminarytea.org.

Fall Holiday Bazaar

Our parish's annual Fall Holiday Bazaar has been scheduled for Saturday, October 16, from 9 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, October 17, from 9 am to 2 pm. Please mark your calendars now.

If you are interested in volunteering or becoming a vendor, contact Christina at csalvitelli@gmail.com.

Divine Mercy Celebration

Today is our parish's annual Divine Mercy Celebration, and everyone is invited to celebrate God's boundless mercy.

The afternoon begins at 2 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, an inspirational talk by Fr. Rodel de Mesa, Adoration, Confessions, the Rosary, the Chapel of Divine Mercy, Benediction, and Mass at 3:30 pm. After Mass, boxed dinners will be handed out to all participants.

Currently, sign-up is not required, but everyone who comes is asked to please **wear a face mask while on the church grounds.**

Divine Mercy Indulgence

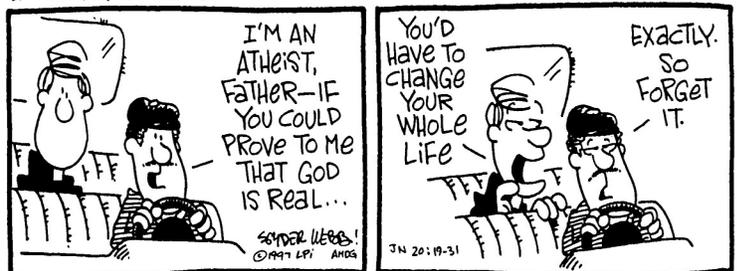
If you go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) today or during this coming week, you will receive a special indulgence in which all the temporal punishment you have accumulated until now will be forgiven. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to share in God's great gift of mercy.

First Communion Sunday

On Sunday, April 25th, our children, who have been preparing, will receive their First Holy Communion at the 11:00 am Mass. Please come and celebrate with them and their families.

There will be a First Communion Retreat on Saturday, April 24th, beginning at 10 am in the Parish Office. The First Communion students and their families are asked to please come.

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER



Bequests and Estate Planning

I give, devise, and bequeath the sum of \$_____ to the Archdiocese of Portland, in Oregon, for the sole benefit of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, located at 5239 SE Woodstock BLVD, Portland, Oregon, to be used under the direction and control of Rev. Father Chrispine Otieno, Pastor, or the priest-in-charge at the time of my death.

Faith Formation for Adults

Are you an adult who would like learn more about the Catholic faith? Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? If you answered “yes” to either of these questions, than you are welcome to join us in the Parish Office on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm for Faith Formation for Adults. We use the “Symbolon” series from FORMED.org, and then discuss the videos afterwards. Come, learn, and share in the fascinating discussions.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. “Mercy is the heart of God,” Pope Francis tells us. The image of a heart has been used to point to the very life source of a person as it is the organ that allows life to flow through our veins and sustain us. Mercy is the heart of God. Imagine this dynamic, powerful, compassionate, piercing, embracing, loving, propelling, penetrating, absorbing, and enveloping, transforming presence of God flowing into the very depth of our souls. It is God’s mercy that allows blood to flow through our veins. It is God’s mercy that forms every atom of our being and leads us to what is true. God’s mercy reveals all superficiality and falsehood, and lays bare all distortions, empty promises, weakness, and sin.

“Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope,” Pope Francis continues. God’s all forgiving, compassionate love is with us. When we finally believe and accept that Christ’s resurrected transfigured presence resides with us, we then find within us a strong confidence to accept life’s imperfections and disappointments and move on. Every day is a new adventure in new life. God leaves the past behind and opens doors to the future. It doesn’t matter how many mistakes we made yesterday. All that matters is what we do tomorrow and what we learn along the way. It is so easy to remain tethered and mired in the past, but there is no need to do so. God is all about tomorrow and the work God has yet to do in our lives.

Mercy gives birth to hope. Hope for the greatest of sinners and hope for the worst of disasters. There is nothing God cannot do and nothing God cannot fashion. After all, everything we know and treasure was once nothing, and look what God did with the nothing God had! The resurrected Christ stands before us with nail marks in his wrists and wounds on his body as a testament that not even injustice, suffering and death can trample over and destroy God’s mercy. What have we to fear? Why do we keep ourselves from peace? Our lack of faith prevents us from going forward and fully receiving the holiness God desires to breathe upon us. Breathe in God’s mercy, allow the wind of God’s presence to kiss all of your sins and caress all of your fears. Exhale peace.

