

November 27, 2022

# Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

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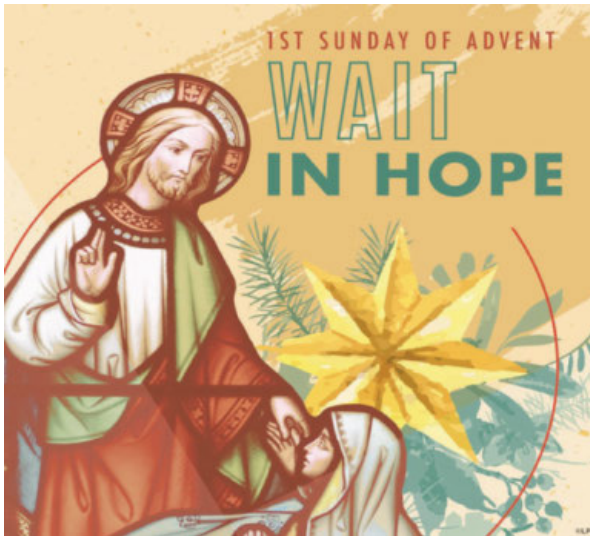
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## Mass Schedule

**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 7:00 PM

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

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Church

from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

(Call the office for door access code)

**The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Mass.**

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**

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### Did you know?

Advent is a four-week season that anticipates the upcoming birth of Christ; “advent” literally means “arrival.” Advent is a season of preparation, which begins on the Sunday closest to November 30, the feast day of St. Andrew the Apostle.

Advent is a season of mixed themes—of both penance and joy. The Advent wreath, with its four candles, symbolizes the end of darkness and the turning toward light in the coming of the Lord.

### **First Sunday of Advent**

(Lectionary # 1)

- 1) Isaiah 2:1-5
- 2) Romans 13:11-14
- 3) Matthew 24:37-44

**FOCUS:** As we enter into Advent, we watch for and eagerly await the dawn that breaks over the horizon.

The promise of Advent is the promise of a candle in a dark room – of the dawn breaking over the horizon. It is the promise that the darkness cannot stand in the presence of the light. In this holy season, we must be watchers, searching for Christ's light, eagerly awaiting the dawn. Are we awake? Are we prepared?



Because this bulletin had to be sent to the printer early, collection information for the weekend of November 20 was not yet available.

## Thank you for supporting our parish!



**Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask in the Sacristy for a receiver to use.**

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. Chrsipine to call me.

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

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues-29	12 pm	Fr. Chrispine's Private Intention
Wed-30	12 pm	✠ Maria <i>Anonymous</i>
Thurs-1	12 pm	In Thanksgiving to God <i>Pilar Dizon</i>
Fri-2	12 pm	✠ Linda Beth <i>Sr. Margaret Bischoff</i>
Sat-3	5 pm	✠ Marie Hong Tran <i>Joseph Tran</i>
Sun-4	8:30 am	✠ Edward Jameson <i>Sr. Margaret Bischoff</i>
	11 am	✠ Sharon Sutherland Bracke <i>Anonymous</i> The People of Our Parish



### 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, Richard and Donna Johnson, Ryan Martin, Gary Hart, Ann Nice, Greg Haggard, ✠Jeanette Helfrich

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

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27, 2022

<b>Sunday:</b>	Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
<b>Monday:</b>	Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22
<b>Thursday:</b>	Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27
<b>Friday:</b>	Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31
<b>Saturday:</b>	Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27, 2022

<b>Sunday:</b>	1st Sunday of Advent
<b>Wednesday:</b>	St. Andrew, Apostle
<b>Saturday:</b>	St. Francis Xavier, Priest
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	2nd Sunday of Advent; St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

## PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-28	Office Closed
Tues-29	Office Open, 9 am—4 pm <b>Daily Mass 12 pm</b> <b>Training for Lectors and EMs, 7 pm, Church</b>
Wed-30	<b>Daily Mass 12 pm</b> Office Open, 9 am—4 pm Confirmation Class, 6 pm, Parish Office Faith Formation for Adults, 7 pm, Parish Office
Thurs-1	Office Open, 9 am—4 pm <b>Daily Mass 12 pm</b> <b>Holy Hour of Prayer and Benediction, 7 pm, Church</b>
Fri-2	Office Closed <b>Daily Mass 9 am</b>
Sat-3	Confessions, 3:30—4:30 pm <b>Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm</b>
Sun-4	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> <b>Masses @ 8:30 am and 11 am</b> Property Development Fund Collection Catechism Class, 9:45 am, Parish Office Coffee and Doughnuts

## THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (11/29):

MaryAnn, Jim, and Holly

### November 27: First Sunday of Advent

#### 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass

Body: Cynthia R. Lector: Maria L. Servers: Luis O.

#### 8:30 am Sunday Mass

Body: Sonie D. Lector: Sr. Margaret B.

Servers: Emeraude L., Jonathan S.

#### 11:00 am Sunday Mass

Body: Susan P. Lector: Joan C. Server: Joseph P.



### 1st Sunday of Advent



# What's Happening

## Upcoming Trainings

All Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to please attend one of two training sessions on either Tuesday, November 29, or Tuesday, December 6, both at 7:00 pm in the church.

## New Workbooks

If you currently serve as a lector, please stop in to the Sacristy after Mass and pick up your workbook for the new Liturgical year. These books are a wonderful resource that allow you to better prepare for proclaiming God's holy Word by providing tips for pronunciation, expression, phrasing, and more.

## Holy Hour and Benediction

This Thursday, December 1, there will be a special Holy Hour of Prayer in the church from 7:00 to 8:00 pm, which will include: Taize-style music, Gregorian chant, meditations, and time for silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. The hour will conclude with Benediction.

## New Calendars

The new calendars for 2023 are also here, and are available for you at both entrances of the church. Please consider giving your business to the generous sponsor, who paid for these calendars.

## Faith Formation for Adults

Faith Formation for Adults is offered every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm in the Parish Office. This week, the topic for discussion will be: "The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist," so please come and join us.

## 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.

## Advent

Today begins the Holy Season of Advent, a sacred time during which we prepare our hearts for Jesus's coming at Christmas.

During this Advent, **an additional daily Mass will be offered on Tuesdays at 12 pm.** Also, the Advent Penance Service will be Tuesday evening, December 13, at 7:00 pm, and five priests will be available to hear Confessions.

Also, copies of *The Word Among Us* and complete Advent schedules are available for you at both entrances of the church. Have a blessed Advent everyone!

## Parishioner Profiles

Periodically we will be presenting short profiles of some of our parishioners in the bulletin, and this is another good way to get to know a little bit more about our fellow parishioners.

Please consider volunteering to be interviewed for this feature. Pastoral Council members have five easy questions for you to answer, and we would love to hear your story. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

## Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 8, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and is a holy day of obligation for Roman Catholics. Two Masses will be offered at 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

## Blood Drive

On Friday, December 9, we will host a Red Cross Blood Drive in the gym from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. If you would like to donate blood, contact the Red Cross directly at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) to book an available appointment time. For many, the gift of blood is the gift of life itself.

## Office Hours

Beginning this week, the Parish Office will now be open Tuesday—Thursday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, and Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for your needs.

# ADVENT

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

We can embrace and relish each moment of our lives as a sacred sacrament or nonchalantly and robotically attend to what life presents. We have our feet in two worlds. One is holy and sacred, and the other is profane and secular. Which one has the greater claim on us? To what do we devote most of our energy? We can easily be consumed with the particular demands and essentials of daily life: family, work, obligations, and the like, that we don't really notice anything more than what is right before us. We become masters at "doing" and neglect our need to "savor." Jesus reminds his friends that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away."

While certain things require our daily attention, we cannot become so consumed with them that we fail to see the larger picture of what is coming. For the Christian, Advent is the time to pause, reflect, and



savor. It is a time to see life as a sacrament of the moment and not just an investment in secular interests, pleasures, and personal obligations. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can quickly wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. Whatever we can do this Advent season to be more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful will serve us well. It will make us eager and well-prepared to meet our Lord when he comes. It is for certain that he will come.

Who made me? What is my purpose? What will happen to

me when I die? These are pivotal questions that, in life's busyness, we hardly find time to ask and answer. They define who we are, and the answers we provide serve as guideposts and anchors in the seas of our lives. Advent is the perfect time to make friends with our souls. It is a time to perk ourselves up, open our eyes, ears, and hearts and seek God's presence in the simple moments of our lives. God is with us. Ask God to grant you a deeper appreciation for His presence and the gift of attentiveness.

*"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - Mt 24:43-44*

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