

February 19, 2023

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

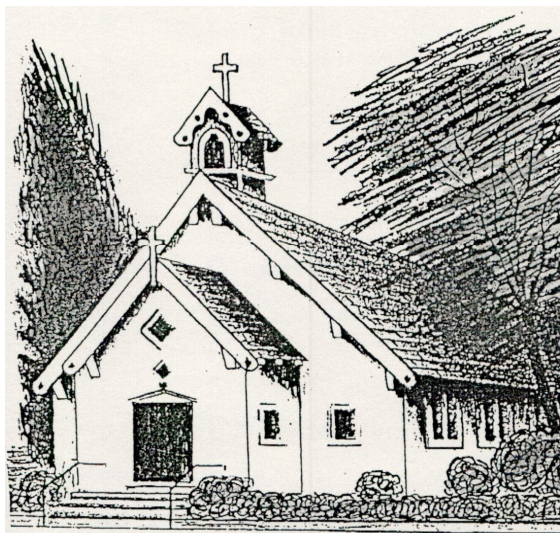
Mailing Address: 5239 SE Woodstock BLVD, Portland, OR 97206

Office Telephone: (503) 775-6731 Fax Number: (503) 775-6732

Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

Parish Website: www.olspdx.org

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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 3:00 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

#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)



Parish Staff

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lectionary #79)

1) Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

2) 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

3) Matthew 5:38-48

FOCUS: *Living a life of faith means acting with love and mercy.*

The call to spiritual perfection or holiness dominates our readings today. We are called to be perfect as the heavenly Father is perfect, and to demonstrate that holiness in the way we treat one another and in our knowledge that we are temples of God's Holy Spirit.

Pastoral Council

Cathy Perisich, Sue Stoeger, Marijana Skoro,
Tony Graham, Cynthia Roberti, Brian Bardellozza

Collection Information for 2/12

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

Offertory	\$2918.50
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Online Donations	\$596.00
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Other Giving	\$160.00
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St Vincent de Paul	\$125.00
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Catholic Home Missions	\$495.00
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Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn, Melba Ganaban,
Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley

Did you know?

Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. These were the words spoken to Adam after the Fall, a proclamation of our severance from God's grace due to Original Sin. And so we remind ourselves of this proclamation as we enter into this season of penance in preparation for the return of our Lord as declared through His glorious resurrection on Easter.

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

Wed-22	12 PM	✠ Marisue Roszel <i>Dennis + Sharon Ellingson</i> Maria Clara San Luís
Thurs-23	12 PM	✠ Claire Casey <i>Dennis + Sharon Ellingson</i> Connie Whitmarsh <i>St Vincent de Paul</i>
Fri-24	12 PM	Connie Whitmarsh <i>Roberti Family</i>
Sat-25	5 PM	Maggie Kunz <i>Roberti Family</i>
Sun-26	8:30 AM	The People of Our Parish
	11 AM	✠ Jim Sheridan <i>Betty Schmich</i>



Prayer Line

(503) 775—6731, Ext. 111

Call today with your prayer intentions.
Our prayer warriors are standing by.

PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-20	Office Open
Tues-21	Office Open
Wed-22	Office Open Masses @ 12 PM and 7 PM
Thurs-23	Office Open Daily Mass 12 PM
Fri-24	Office Open Daily Mass 12 PM
Sat-25	Confessions, 3:30—4:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM
Sun-26	<i>First Sunday of Lent</i> Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM Catechism Class, 9:45 AM, Parish Office Coffee and Doughnuts

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (2/21):

Mary Ann, Jim, Holly

Prayer Corner

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

Connie Whitmarsh, ✠ Jim Sheridan, ✠ Tom Koppy, ✠ Alyson
Bjurstrom

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



February 22: Ash Wednesday

12:00 PM Mass

Body: Clara J. Lector: Sr Margaret B. Server: None

7:00 PM Mass

Body: Don P. Lector: Tony G.

Servers: Joseph P., Jim B. (Incense)

Distribution of Ashes: Charles S., Don P.

February 26: First Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

Body: Tony G. Lector: Rudy D. Server: Luis O.

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

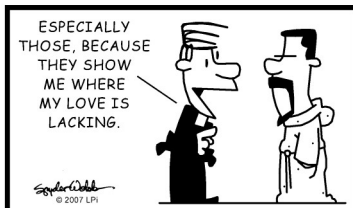
Body: Leslie C. Lector: Patrick H.

Servers: Emeraude L., Jonathan S.

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

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

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



What's Happening

Lenten Masses

Starting next week daily Masses will be Tuesday through Friday at noon.

Catholic in Recovery Retreat

Find help in overcoming addictions and unhealthy attachments on this healing retreat.

It can be difficult to seek help, but the power of God's real Love and Grace is more than a concept. God can free us from the shackles of darkness and give us new life. Join us on March 24th-26th at St. Benedict Lodge, McKenzie Bridge, OR. Final day to register is March 15, 2023 (\$50 discount if you register before the end of January, 2023). For more information and registration go to: <https://catholicinrecovery.com/events/>.

Second Collections

On Ash Wednesday we have a Second Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This is to help our fellow Catholics in these areas, especially those impacted by the Russia-Ukraine Conflict.

St. Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul Lunch Gathering after the Health and Healing Mass for Connie Whitmarsh on February 23rd. Please bring a sack lunch, coffee and tea will be provided. Come join us for a prayer, friendship, and an update on St Vincent de Paul business.

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED

We are looking for more volunteers for the collection counting team. If you are interested in assisting, please reach out to Ian at ian@olspx.org, or see olspx.org/collection-counters for more details.

Faith Formation for Youth and Adults

This week there will be no classes because it is Ash Wednesday. Classes will resume next week.

Giving and Envelopes

If you are a regular giver and do not currently receive envelopes, please send your name and address to ian@olspx.org or fill out the information form on page 2 of the bulletin and drop it off at the office or in the giving basket. We are updating our information and have noticed that we are missing some people and want to make sure we are meeting everyone's needs.

Parish Job Openings

The Parish has an opening for a musician and organist. We are looking for someone who has strong Catholic values with a deep understanding of Church Liturgy and Sacred Music. Details can be found on the parish website. For inquiries call the office or email your resume to frchrispine@olspx.org

Bulletin Announcements

If you would like to have an event or other important announcement posted in the bulletin, there is a new request form on the parish website which will help make getting your announcements in the bulletin easier. Go to olspx.org/event-and-announcement-request-form and fill out the details. Announcement additions are still at the discretion of the administrative assistant, but filling out these requests makes it easier to process the announcements and determine what should be added.

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.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of February 19, 2023

- Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48
- Monday:** Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29
- Tuesday:** Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37
- Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20 6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25
- Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32
- Next Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: **“But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.”** An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. “What is unusual about that?” asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, while they were doing it. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

— *Father John Muir*