

August 20, 2023

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

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

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Office Hours: Tuesday—Thursday 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, Thursday, 12:00 PM; Friday, 9:00 AM

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 9:00 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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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lec. 118)

1) Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

2) Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

3) Matthew 15:21-28

FOCUS: *Today and every day we celebrate the goodness of God.*

Celebration for the generosity of God resounds in our readings today. As followers of Jesus, we are filled with joy because God has included all people in his bountiful mercy. That joy leads us to reach out to all with compassion and mercy.

Collection Information for 8/13

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

Offertory	\$2033.34
Coffee and Doughnuts	\$72.25
Votive Candles	\$26.38
St. Vincent de Paul	\$150.00
Mass Intentions	\$20.00
Other Giving	\$53.00

Pastoral Council

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

Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn,
Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley

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. Crispine to call me.

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

Mass for the Intentions Week

Wed-23	12 PM	Maria Duarte <i>Maria Santos</i>
Thu-24	12 PM	✠ Cesar Fuentes <i>Cynthia Marguino</i>
Fri-25	9 AM	Rosemary Bennett <i>Rosalina Marker</i>
Sat-26	5 PM	May D. Trotter <i>Luisa & Rudy del Rosario</i>
Sun-27	8:30 AM	The People of Our Parish
	11 AM	✠ Rogelio Ruelas <i>Josephine Ruelas</i> ✠ Jesus Ruelas <i>Josephine Ruelas</i>

PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-21	Office Closed
Tues-22	Office Open
Wed-23	Office Open Daily Mass 12 PM
Thurs-24	Office Open Daily Mass 12 PM
Fri-25	Office Closed Daily Mass 9 AM
Sat-26	Confessions, 3:30—4:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM
Sun-27	<i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM Coffee and Doughnuts



Prayer Line

(503) 775—6731, Ext. 111

Call today with your prayer intentions.

Our prayer warriors are standing by.

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (8/22):

Leslie, Barbara, Chuck

Prayer Corner

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

✠ Philip Cox, ✠ Jim Kraus, ✠ Larry Kraus, Brian, and Rose-
mary Bennet

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



20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



August 27th: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Body: Louisa D.
Lector: Audrey P.
Servers: Luis O.

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Sonie D.
Lector: Leslie C.
Servers: Emeraude L., Jonathan S.

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Jim B.
Lector: Tony G.
Server: Paul S., Milan S., Michael S.

What's Happening

Parish Directory

We wanted to let you that we now have information for the parish directories. Check out the Facebook page or the website for a link to details on how to sign up. We will also offer assistance to those who need help signing up.

Save the Date

Our annual Fall Bazaar has been scheduled! Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 21st 9 AM—4 PM & Sunday, October 22nd 9 AM—2 PM.

If you are interested in volunteering or becoming a vendor please contact Christina Simmons csalvitelli@gmail.com or call Diane Salvitelli at 971-806-3147.

Faith Formation for Youth and Adults

Registration for Faith formation is now being accepted. Keep in mind that Faith Formation is not just for those who are seeking the sacraments of the Church. Children who are already attending Catholic school are welcome to join us Sunday mornings between the 8:30 and 11:00 am masses. Everyone is welcome to attend our Adult faith Formation Class on Wednesday nights at 7pm. Come and learn more about your faith, and meet your fellow Parishioners. Classes will begin in September.

Archbishop's Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all those who have sent in your donations for the Appeal. We are now at \$15,453 raised by our parish. We are only \$5,064 short of our goal of \$20,517, and there is still time to send in your donations. Thank you so much to those who have given already.

Healing the Whole Person Conference

Join us November 30—December 2 at Our Lady of Lavang on this journey to wholeness as we enter into the heart, face the pains and wounds within, and allow Christ's divine love to bring the healing we ardently desire. Information for how to register will follow in the coming weeks.

St Benedict Lodge Women's Retreat

St. Benedict's Lodge and retreat center in McKenzie Bridge is pleased to announce our annual Women's Retreat from September 8th to the 10th. Our Co Facilitator will be Sister Beth Quire, OP. Cost for the retreat is \$150 per person for a dorm room. Cabins are extra. To register, send a \$50 Deposit to: St benedict Lodge, 56630 North bank Rd, McKenzie Bridge, OR 97413. Or contact us weekday mornings at 541-822-3572 or email stbenedictretreat@gmail.com

Cross Catholic Outreach

We have a representative from Cross Catholic Outreach here this weekend. Check out crosscatholic.org for more information.

Parish Picnic

The parish picnic is on September 17th this year after the 11 AM Mass. See you all there!

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. Chrispine Otieno, Pastor, or the priest-in-charge at the time of my death.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 20, 2023

Sunday:

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday:

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday:

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday:

Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Friday:

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday:

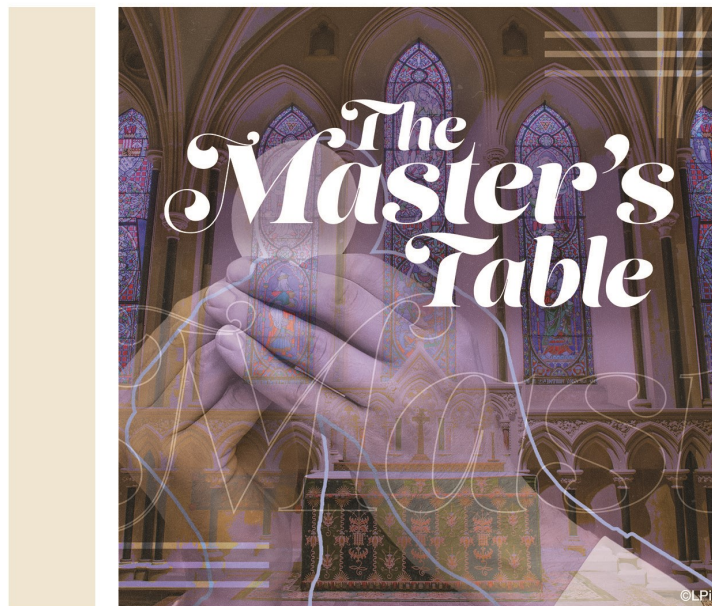
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday:

Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

The suffering of a child symbolizes uniquely terrible evil as well as despair about the future. This week's Gospel gives a "limit" case in which Jesus encounters this evil in the form of a mother with a suffering daughter. What he does is stunning and massively helpful for us if we bravely ponder the details.

The Canaanite woman comes to Jesus and begs his mercy. "My daughter is tormented by a demon," she declares to him. Shockingly, he responds first with silence, then with a dismissive comment, and only then finally accedes to her third request. Is this simply a lesson in perseverance in our petitions to God, who is like a genie in a bottle? Does that justify the humiliation and pain this woman suffers? Is the Lord cruel?

I don't think so. Notice how the encounter ends. She compares herself to a dog at the table of a master. Jesus responds by praising her great faith and fulfills her deep desire. Somehow this non-Israelite woman intuits that this harrowing situation is not dumb suffering. She senses that the door of God's family is, in Jesus, being opened to her and her loved ones. She trusts she is at the Lord's table, and her desires will be fulfilled and that all her sufferings — and her daughter's, too — will lead a great banquet. In our sufferings this week, the Lord wants us to treat him less like a genie in a bottle and more like the Master who has taken us — lost little dogs that we are — into his home forever. Trust that and keep praying in the face of evil.

— Father John Muir