

October 8th, 2023-Stewardship Weekend

# Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

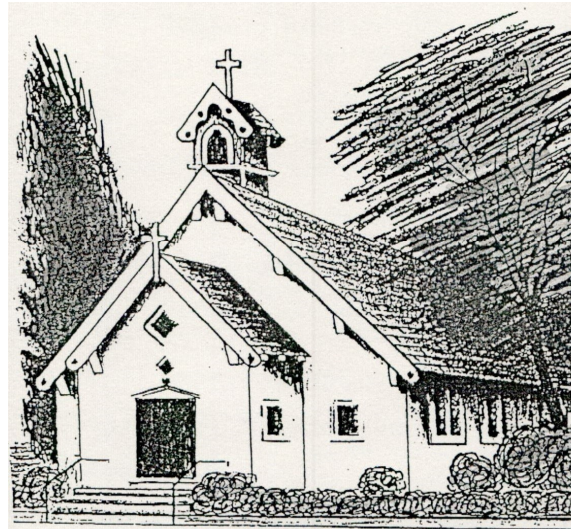
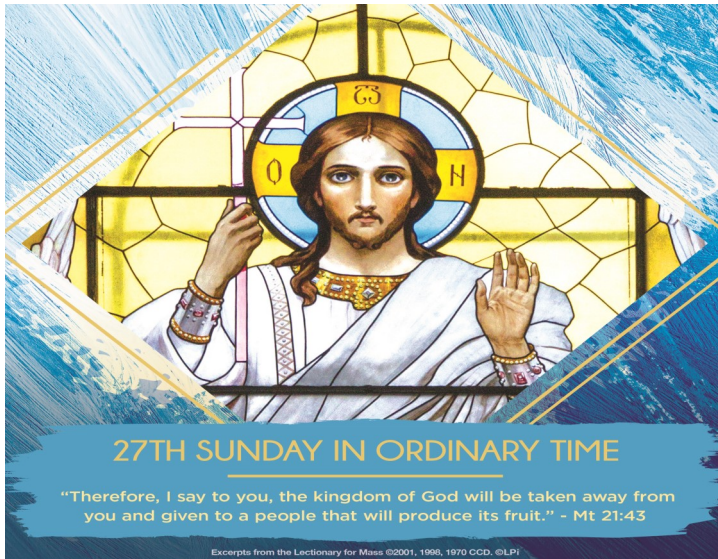
Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

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

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

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

Parish Website: [www.olspdx.org](http://www.olspdx.org) [facebook.com/ourladyofsorrowspdx](https://facebook.com/ourladyofsorrowspdx)  
[www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org)



## Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:**

8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

**Daily Mass:**

Wednesday through 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 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

Fr. Chrsipine Otieno, Pastor

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### **27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 1) Isaiah 5:1-7
- 2) Philippians 4:6-9
- 3) Matthew 21:33-43

**FOCUS:** If we remain in Christ, we will bear fruit.

Both the first reading and the Gospel describe the people of Israel as a vineyard. God has given them everything they need, sending prophets and even his own Son. Yet the vines have yielded wild grapes, and the prophets and the Son have been killed. The kingdom of God will be taken away from those who reject Christ and given instead to believers in Christ, who will produce its fruit.

### **Collection Information for 10/3**

**Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00**

Offertory	\$3670.00
Coffee and Doughnuts	\$64.00
Votive Candles	\$22.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$399.00
Mass Intentions	\$10.00
Other Giving	\$40.00
Property Development Fund	\$523.00

### Pastoral Council

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

### Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn,  
Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley

### Stewardship Weekend

Today is Stewardship Weekend here at Our Lady of Sorrows: a chance for all of us to hear how our financial donations have been spent and managed over the past year. It is also an opportunity for all of us to reflect on the importance of financially supporting our parish, because we cannot spread the Gospel of Christ without your time, talent, and treasure.

## 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-11	12 PM	Wilfredo Santos
Thu-12	12 PM	✠ Wilfredo Sacdalan <i>Luisa &amp; Rudy el Rosario</i>
Fri-13	12 PM	Sr. Maria Vinton, S.S.M. <i>Julie Randall</i>
Sat-14	5 PM	✠ Valena Z. Duran <i>Sonie &amp; Anita</i>
Sun-15	8:30 AM	The People of Our Parish
	11 AM	Lolita Soriano <i>Lolita Soriano</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-9	Office Closed
Tues-10	Office Open
Wed-11	Office Open <b>Daily Mass 12 PM</b> Youth Confirmation 5:30pm Faith Formation 7 PM
Thurs-12	Office Open <b>Daily Mass 12 PM</b>
Fri-13	Office Open <b>Daily Mass 12 PM</b>
Sat-14	Confessions, 3:30—4:30 PM <b>Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM</b>
Sun-15	<i>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Pastoral Care Weekend</i> <b>Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM</b>

## THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (9/19):

Chuck S, Leslie C, Barbara , Caroline H.

## Prayer Corner

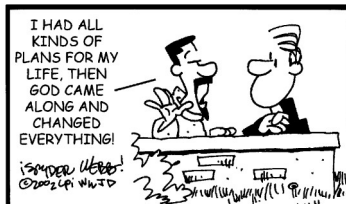
Please pray for the following people who are ill or recently deceased:

✠ Philip Cox, ✠ Jim Kraus, ✠ Larry Kraus, Brian Jud

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



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Oct. 15th: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Body: Cynthia R.

Lector: Rudy D.

Servers: Tony G.

### 8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Rosy C.

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.

# Stewardship Weekend

## Parish Life Recap

Dear parishioners,

We came to the end of the fiscal year on June 30 and it is customary to present to you the status of the parish both pastorally and administratively(temporal). With our Finance council, we have formulated the annual financial review. Carl Duyn who is the chair of the council will present this to you on this stewardship weekend in more details. I can confirm that the parish is in good financial shape and our assets are properly maintained. We report the offertory income weekly in the bulletin for your review and I ask that you take this financial report home with you, review it and if you have any questions, please email me or any of the council members. Please continue contributing to our parish as we continue with the ministries of Jesus Christ here in South East Portland.

Secondly, with regard to pastoral and spiritual life of the parish, I wish to underline that this year we are called to revive our devotion and commitment to the Holy Eucharist. I am very proud of our catechists and volunteers who offer catechism to our kids and adults in preparation for sacraments and ongoing catechesis. Our faith formation classes are well planned and we offer quality formation to all, please encourage the kids, young adults and adults to attend the formation opportunities offered so that together we may grow in our spiritual life, holiness and in friendship with our Lord Jesus Christ. These classes are not meant only for converts who are preparing to become Catholics but they are for all of us because it is good to know more about our faith because the more, we know the Lord, the more we can love Him.

Finally, our love for the Lord should lead us to love one another and care for each other. A parish is a household (family) and it is good for all of us to feel at home in our parish family. When opportunities present themselves like Bazaar, Lasagna dinner, Picnics, Coffee and Donuts we should strive to participate because these are practical ways of knowing each other and strengthening our ties as a Christian community. Our parish is known to have a country feel, let's keep caring for each other and loving each other, please stay involved in the parish life and never feel like a guest here. This is a home, a family, our family! let us step up and volunteer where needed especially as altar servers, lectors, EMs, ushers and so on. Let us reach out to our sick and homebound parishioners, the poor and the suffering in our midst so that through them they may experience God's love.

I wish you all a very fruitful year 2023-2024 and again I thank you for being involved in the parish and for your love and commitment to this Church of Christ.

In Christ,

Fr. Chrispine Otieno

### *Sacraments of Our Faith*

#### *Faith Formation*

11 students received religious education

6 adults enrolled in the process of the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults

6 adults attended our Faith Enrichment program

5 children received the sacrament of Baptism

5 children received the sacrament of First Communion

8 young adults received the sacrament of Confirmation

2 adults received Full Communion into the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil

1 Adult received 1st communion, and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil

2 adults received the sacrament of Confirmation

We celebrated the wedding convocations of 3 couples

We celebrated 8 Funerals

#### *Parish Life*

OLS Picnic was held in September 2022

OLS Bazaar was held in October 2022

OLS Lasagna Dinner was held in January 2023

OLS Liturgical volunteers and staff Thank You dinner April 2023

OLS appreciation dinner for staff, councils & volunteers June 2023

Weekly coffee & donuts after 8:30

## 2022-2023 Financial Review

	July 2022-June 2023 actual	July 2022- June 2023 budget	2023-2024 budget * (not finalized)
<b>INCOME</b>			
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>\$206,708</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>	\$205,000
Other Parish Income ( <i>special collections, gifts &amp; grants, fees, donations</i> )	\$83,699	\$35,060	\$37,625
<b>Total Parish income from Parishioner's</b>	<b>\$290,407</b>	<b>\$235,060</b>	<b>\$242,625</b>
Income from Rental properties	\$229,171	\$223,003	\$286,110
Investment Funds	\$56,122	\$0	\$0
Restricted Funds ( <i>property development, roof,xmas wish list</i> )	\$41,573	\$11,000	\$110,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$561,151</b>	<b>\$469,063</b>	<b>\$638,735</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Parish staff ( <i>payroll, health benefits, taxes, retirement</i> )	\$227,072	\$249,628	\$234,148
Parish Life ( <i>Assesments, Religious Ed, Liturgical expenses</i> )	\$55,655	\$57,037	\$60,600
Office expenses ( <i>computers, supplies, equipment</i> )	\$25,883	\$24,373	\$27,500
Building Expenses ( <i>maintenance, landscaping, insurance, utilities</i> )	\$229,915	\$131,299	\$210,435
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$538,525</b>	<b>\$462,337</b>	<b>\$532,683</b>
Income less Expenses	\$22,626	\$6,726	\$106,052
Campus Improvements	-\$33,752	-\$11,000	-\$110,000
Funds reserved for future improvements ( <i>repair of sidewalks, smoke mointor in church</i> )	\$66,573	\$5,000	
Net Cost of Improvements	\$32,821	-\$6,000	-\$110,000
Net Income	\$55,447	\$726	-\$3,948
Less Investment Funds	\$56,122	\$0	\$0
	-\$675	\$726	-\$3,948

2022-2023 Archbishop Catholic Appeal Goal	<b>\$18,500</b>	Goal was met!!
2022-2023 Grants received from Archdiocese of Portland		
Safety grant	\$10,000	
Out of Parish Subsidy Grant	\$4,000	
<b>Total Grants received</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	
2023-2024 Archbishop Catholic Appeal Goal	\$20,517	\$20,517
Current funding of 2023-2024 Archbishop Catholic Appeal	\$16,823	\$16,823
Funds needed to reach goal		<b>\$3,694</b>

2022-2023 Donations to Saint Vincent De Paul Society	\$6,849
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2022-2023 Fundraising Receipts from OLS Bazaar	\$3,475
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Charitable contributions from IRA's & Estates	\$48,709
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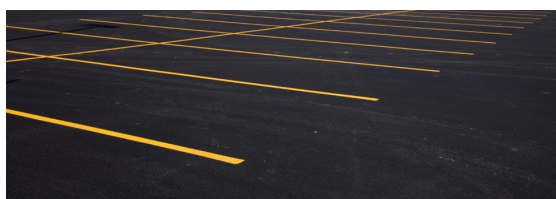


# ***Our Lady of Sorrows Parking Lot Replacement Project***

**Let's fix our parking lot!**



**It's time to replace this with:**



**Please Donate Today**

**\$100,000 needed to begin by Summer of 2024** [olspdx.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities](https://olspdx.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities)

## **What's Happening**

### **Save the Date—Parish Bazaar**

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](mailto:csalvitelli@gmail.com) or call Diane Salvitelli at 971-806-3147. The bazaar is quickly approaching and we are in need of donations of handmade craft items, baked goods and any unique items for our raffle. These items can be dropped off to the parish gym on Friday, October 20th, from 12—5 PM.

### **Faith Formation for Youth and Adults**

Youth Confirmation, and OCIA Classes are Wednesday nights at 5:30 for Youth Confirmation and 7 PM for OCIA using the Formed, Symbolon program. This class is so rich with the beauty of our Catholic faith, we encourage everyone to come and join the discussion. It is a blessing to be part of the journey of these special Catechumens and Candidates preparing to enter the Faith. If you cannot attend, the videos we use can be found on Formed.com

### **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 September 17, 2023

### Sunday:

Sir 27:30–28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

### Monday:

1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Lk 7:1-10

### Tuesday:

1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/  
Lk 7:11-17

### Wednesday:

1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

### Thursday:

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

### Friday:

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/  
Lk 8:1-3

### Saturday:

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

### Next Sunday:

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)/Phil  
1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again ... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood.

That childhood memory — and the attendant outrage — came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid owed me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us?

We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He remembers — and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to — and forgiven by — his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets.

— *Father John Muir*