

March 10th, 2024

# Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

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

Office Hours: Tuesday—Thursday 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)



## Lenten Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:**

8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

**Daily Mass:**

Tuesday through Friday, 12:00 PM

**Holy Days:** 12:00 PM and 6:00 PM

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

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Church  
from 8:00 AM to 6:00 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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### Pastoral Council

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

### Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn,  
Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley



### Fourth Sunday of Lent

(Lec.32A) Optional readings for RCIA Scrutiny's

- 1) Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a(31a)
- 2) Ephesians 5:8-14
- 3) John 9:1-41-21

**FOCUS:** Offer gifts of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving out of love and gratitude to our merciful God.

We offer our humble gifts of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to God out of gratitude. We recognize that all is gift. God has poured out his grace upon us. We joyfully draw near to the giver of all good gifts in the spiritual practices we take up in this season.

### Collection Information for 3/5

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

Offertory	\$3648.60
Coffee and Doughnuts	\$104.00
St. Vincent De Paul	\$300.00
Votive Candles	\$26.75
Area of Greatest Need	\$570
Property Development	\$822.50

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

Tue-12th	12PM	Sally Allen Mary Ann Hollinger
Wed-13th	12PM	Clint Dodge Ann Nice Deborah Speciale
Thu-14th	12 PM	✠ Ry Frangipani Tony Graham
Fri-15th	12 PM	✠ Beto Valasquez Tony Graham ✠ Gerard E Dayrit Louisa and Rudy Del Rosario
Sat-16th	5 PM	Pro Populo
Sun-17th	8:30 AM	✠ Josephine Petersen Susan and Daniel Petersen ✠ Ed Kraus Mary Kraus Barbara Sheridan Jim Bachman
	11 AM	

Keep in mind that in times of inclement weather, these intentions will be honored at a private Mass.

## PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-11th	Office Closed
Tues-12th	Office Open 9-3:00 <b>Mass 12pm</b>
Wed-13th	Office Open 9-3:00 <b>Mass 12pm</b>
Thurs-14th	Office Open 9-3:00 <b>Mass 12pm</b>
Fri-15th	Office Closed <b>Mass 12pm</b> <b>Stations of the Cross 6pm</b>
Sat-16th	<b>Confessions 3:30-4:30PM</b> <b>Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM</b>
Sun-17th	<b>5th Sunday of Lent</b> <b>Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM</b> <b>Coffee and Doughnuts</b>

## 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:

✠ Philip Cox, ✠ Jim Kraus, ✠ Larry Kraus, Brian Jud ✠ Dick Johnson, ✠ Merceline Dasius, ✠ Shirley Franz, ✠ Gordon Stadther, ✠ Anton Skoro, ✠ Dominic Ha, Clint Dodge, Barbara Sheridan, Jeff Geiger, Gary Hart, Carol Meyer, Ann Nice, Marita Torrey, Delores Hickey, George Henry

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



## THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (02/27):

MaryAnn, Jim, Holly

## March 17th : 5th Sunday of Lent

### 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Body: Cynthia R.

Lector: Rudy D.

Servers: Louis O.

### 8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Rosy C.

Lector: Leslie C.

Servers: Jonathan S.

### 11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Body: Jim B.

Lector: Helena P.

Server: Paul S., Milan S., Michael S.

4th SUNDAY OF LENT



## Congratulations to the Guidry Family

The Guidry Family had their Son Yates Baptized March 5th. Welcome to our Family in Christ.

# What's Happening

## Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Thank you for the good service you offer to our community especially in the liturgy. I am asking that when distributing communion alongside the priest, you and the priest go down by the steps of the sanctuary together and return to the altar together. Whether the priest's line or your line is done early, you reverently wait as that is proper to good reverent liturgy. Together you bring the ciborium back on the altar and wait for the priest or deacon to place it in the tabernacle. After the priest has returned the remaining hosts in the tabernacle, you bow reverently in front of the altar and head back to your seat. Please consider this change. Everything else is good. Last but not least, it is proper that when we are assigned to serve, we check in at the Sacristy and sign in so that the sacristan and priest knows that you are around. Coming in time helps all to prepare and minister well at the mass. Please keep dressing up respectfully whenever you minister and if you have to be absent, notify Sacristan and help us seek your substitute. May God bless you as we serve him together.

Fr. Chrispine

## Lectors

### A note to the lectors:

Lectors are doing a good job and I thank you all. Just like the EMS, please check in at the sacristy so that we are at peace that you are around. Dressing professionally is required when you minister at the altar. This is out of respect for our Lord and His church. In terms of order, all are doing well. I only request that while reading, always practice ahead of time, come early and pray with the readings. When you read, assume that the listeners are hearing the Word of God for the first time and it is your duty to help them understand you. Enunciate properly for all to understand. Take your time, it is the Word of God. No rush. No acting, we read it reverently for what it is, Word of God. Before and after reading, we now before the altar and handle the lectionary with respect whether opening or closing the book so as to avoid a sense of rush or irreverence. Thank you for your ministry to God and to His Church. And please we need more lectors, we are here to train you and assist you. You will have my support so that you can serve the Lord diligently.

Fr. Chrispine

## Altar Servers

A note to altar servers:

Only trained altar servers are allowed to serve at the altar. Please always arrive early, dressed properly and in black shoes. Put on your vestments, light the candles and wait for the priest in the sacristy. While at the altar, we don't make noise or chat. We remain respectful because we are in the most sacred part of the church. Any time we pass by the altar, we bow during mass. Before or after mass, we bow before the tabernacle. During time to share sign of peace, we don't wave to our family in the pews. We can choose to shake hands with each other or simply bow to each other saying "peace be with you". You will always receive communion first from the priest and then you can help hold the paten as he or another minister distributes communion. Try not to be in between the two ministers. While holding the paten, remember we are serving and so it is not time to wave and hi-five the people you know or children coming in line for communion. Remain respectful as you stand by the side of the ministers and you can shake the hands of your family after mass. Long time ago as an altar server, I was trained that an altar server is there at the sanctuary to serve and not to be heard or cause distraction. I ask parents to please assist us in training and preparing our altar servers for this important ministry in the Church. If any of your child is 8 years and above and could help us serve, please present them to us for training. We desperately need altar servers for 5pm mass and 11am mass. We need these our young people to be involved in the ministry.

Fr. Chrispine

## Holy Week

Holy week this year begins Sunday March 24th Palm Sunday. Our Lenten Journey culminates in the beauty of the Passion of the Lord during the Holy Tridium Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Easter Vigil. Please see our Lenten Schedule for Mass times during the Holy Tridium, and try to schedule time to come and celebrate the most beautiful Liturgy of the year. If you would like to volunteer to assist with the liturgies during Holy week, please contact Tony in the parish office.

## Candidates for Initiation

This Year we have two candidates seeking to receive the Sacraments of Initiation into the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil. Travis Parker, with his Sponsor Dave Lestiko, and Carlos Ek Juarez with his Sponsor Rosemary Ek Juarez. Let us all pray for them during this Lent as they prepare for the Easter Vigil. Please also pray for our Confirmation Students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation a little later this spring.

## Via Crucis

Every Friday during Lent we will have Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6pm, followed by a simple soup supper in Father Carberry hall. Please join us for this beautiful Lenten devotion. If you would like to provide Soup for our simple soup supper after stations of the cross, please contact Holly Denman.

## Parking Lot Campaign

Father Chrispine and the Finance council have been asking a lot from the parishioners of OLS.

Here is an update on our fundraising for the parking lot, Gym roof, Wish list, and other parish maintenance needs.

From July 2023 you have contributed: \$6,435 towards the Wish lists of the parish  
\$25,095 towards the restoration of the parking lot  
\$2,876 towards the replacement of the gymnasium roof.  
Your continued support to keep our parish well maintained is greatly appreciated by both current parishioners and our future parishioners. Wishing you all the best in 2024"

## Old Convent

The Old Convent, the Blue House on 54th and Knight St., is available to rent. If you know of someone that may be interested in renting this property please contact us in the Parish office.

## Penance Service

Wednesday March 13th at 7pm, we will have our Lenten Penance service. We will have 4 visiting priests to hear confessions. Come and experience this beautiful sacrament and prepare your heart to receive the graces of the Risen Lord this Easter.

## Faith Formation

We will not have Youth confirmation or Adult Faith Formation classes on Wednesday March 13th due to the penance service that evening.

## 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 March 10, 2024

### Sunday:

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

### Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

### Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

### Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

### Thursday:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

### Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

### Saturday:

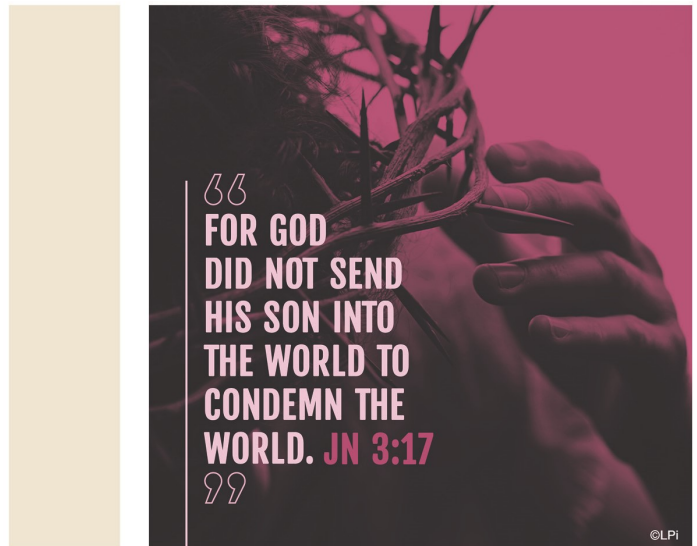
Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

### Next Sunday:

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Our national pastime isn't baseball. It's what the Bible calls "condemning the world." We generally enjoy pronouncing curses upon those whom we see as trouble, wrong, or evil. Don't believe me? Listen to almost any podcast, cable news network, or social media platform to hear it. It will be some version of: "We all agree that if *they* are eradicated, things will be great." Condemning is almost always clothed in virtue. It basks in its good intentions. That's why it is so attractive. Condemning seems like our best path to saving what is good.

What a shock, then, to hear Jesus announce: "**For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him**" (Jn 3:17).

He comes to save the world, as we all want, but he will accomplish it *without an act of condemnation*. How hard it is to accept this! Condemning feels godlike. I judge who and what must be lost to protect the good. But in the light of Jesus' endless mercy and love, this is the least godlike thing we can do.

**Lenten challenge:** This week, I invite you to give up the delicious experience of condemning whomever in the world you most would like to see gone. Perhaps write down their names. Secondly, I invite you to consider fasting from any media that feeds the tasty but deadly tendency to condemn.

— Father John Muir