

August 17th, 2025

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

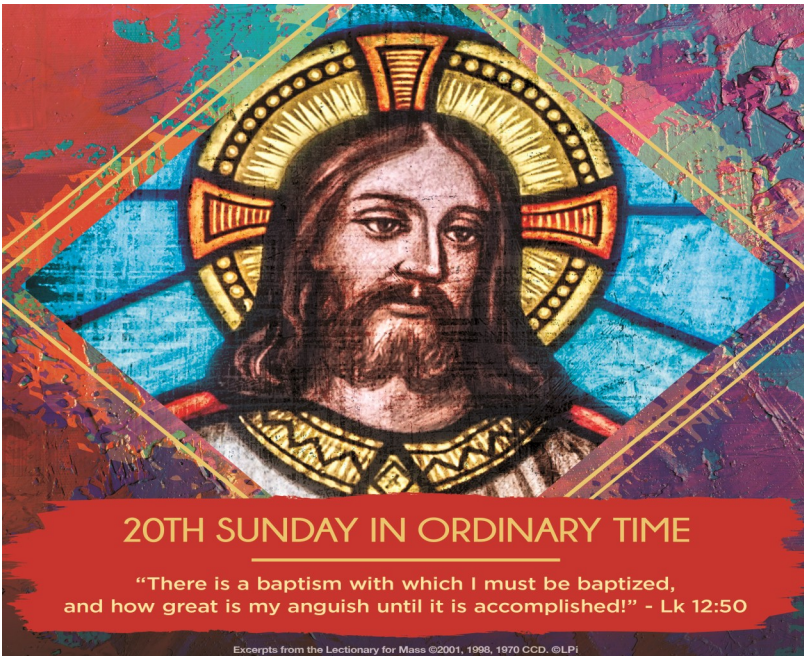
Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

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

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

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

Parish Website: www.olspdx.org facebook.com/ourladyofsorrowspdx
www.FORMED.org



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.

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 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 3:00 PM

(Call the office for door access code)

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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20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

(Lec.120)

- 1) Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
- 2) Hebrews 12:1-4
- 3) Luke 12:49-53

FOCUS: As Christians, we do not always fall in line with the ways of the world.

In the Gospel, Jesus warns us that following him will not always bring peace into our lives. In fact, if we follow his ways, we might encounter division, even within our own families. Jesus taught his followers a new way of living which is contrary to the "ways of the world." With his grace, we can be faithful to this call to witness to the ways of God.

Pastoral Council

Cathy Perisich, Sue Stoeger,

Tony Graham, Cynthia Roberti, Rosy Casper

Collection Information for 08/12

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

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| Offertory | \$3057.56 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | \$361.00 |
| Coffee and Donuts | \$68.00 |
| Candles | \$41.51 |
| School Subsidy | \$53.00 |
| Property Development | \$156.00 |
| Assumption of BVM | \$9.00 |
| Area of Greatest need | \$2.50 |
| Total | \$3748.57 |

Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn,

Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley



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 for the Intentions for the Week

Wed-20th 12PM ✝ **Ila Neulrich**

Samuel Czuba

Thu-21st 12PM ✝ **Paul Delay**

Meg & Arthur Moore

Fri-22nd 9AM ✝ **Agatha Czuba**

Samuel Czuba

Sat-23rd 5PM ✝ **Helen Datul**

Rudy & West Del Rosario

Trenidad Cabral

Mr. & Mrs. Caral

Sun-24th

8:30 AM

✝ **Tran Thi Duong**

Phan Hoang

✝ **Raymond Wallaston**

Eric Wallaston

11AM

Pro Populo



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:

Clint Dodge, Barbara Sheridan, Gary Hart, ✝ Connie Whitmarsh, Cynthia Reis, ✝ Patrick Hague, ✝ Gloria Federici, Jenny Storey, Sally Allen, Rosana Gonzalez, ✝ Adela Escobio, ✝ Pillar Dizon, Jim Bachman, Maryann Hollinger, Brian Jud, Maria Beardall, Diana Voelker

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



PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-18th **No Mass**
Office Closed

Tues-19th Office Open 9-3:00
No Mass

Wed-20th Office Open 9-3:00
Mass 12PM

Thurs-21st Office Open 9-3:00
Mass 12PM

Fri-22nd Office Closed
Mass 9am

Sat-23rd **Confessions 3:30-4:30PM**
Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Sun-24th **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM
Coffee and Doughnuts

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (08/12):

Leslie, Chuck, Caroline

Aug. 24th: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

EOM: Rudy D.

Lector: Cynthia R.

Servers: Louis O.

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

EOM: Susan P.

Lector: Tony G.

Servers: Jonathan S., Emeraude L., Anastasia S.

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

EOM: Don P.

Lector: Audrey H.

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

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



What's Happening...

St. John Vianney, Patron of Pastors

Feast Day August 4th

John Vianney, also known as the Curé d'Ars, is recognized as the patron saint of parish priests. He is celebrated for his deep devotion to the Church and his transformative impact on his community in Ars, France. His life exemplifies humility, selflessness, and unwavering faith, making him a model for priests worldwide, also known as the Curé d'Ars, is recognized as the patron saint of parish priests. He is celebrated for his deep devotion to the Church and his transformative impact on his community in Ars, France. His life exemplifies humility, selflessness, and unwavering faith, making him a model for priests worldwide. His feast day is August 4th. Below is one of his reflections that we hope may be helpful. Please pray for our parish priests and all priests so that they may draw us closer to Christ and to heaven.

From the catechetical instructions by Saint John Mary Vianney, priest

The glorious duty of man: to pray and to love

My little children, reflect on these words: the Christian's treasure is not on earth but in heaven. Our thoughts, then, ought to be directed to where our treasure is. This is the glorious duty of man: to pray and to love. If you pray and love, that is where a man's happiness lies.

Prayer is nothing else but union with God. When one has a heart that is pure and united with God, he is given a kind of serenity and sweetness that makes him ecstatic, a light that surrounds him with marvelous brightness. In this intimate union, God and the soul are fused together like two bits of wax that no one can ever pull apart. This union of God with a tiny creature is a lovely thing. It is a happiness beyond understanding.

We had become unworthy to pray, but God in his goodness allowed us to speak with him. Our prayer is incense that gives him the greatest pleasure.

My little children, your hearts are small, but prayer stretches them and makes them capable of loving God. Through prayer we receive a foretaste of heaven and something of paradise

comes down upon us. Prayer never leaves us without sweetness. It is honey that flows into the soul and makes all things sweet. When we pray properly, sorrows disappear like snow before the sun.

Prayer also makes time pass very quickly and with such great delight that one does not notice its length. Listen: Once when I was a purveyor in Bresse and most of my companions were ill, I had to make a long journey. I prayed to the good God, and, believe me, the time did not seem long.

Some men immerse themselves as deeply in prayer as fish in water, because they give themselves totally to God. There is no division in their hearts. O, how I love these noble souls! Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Colette used to see our Lord and talk to him just as we talk to one another.

How unlike them we are! How often we come to church with no idea of what to do or what to ask for. And yet, whenever we go to any human being, we know well enough why we go. And still worse, there are some who seem to speak to God like this: "I will only say a couple of things to you, and then I will be rid of you." I often think that when we come to adore the Lord, we would receive everything we ask for, if we would ask with living faith and with a pure heart.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Almighty and merciful God,
who made the Priest Saint John Vianney
wonderful in his pastoral zeal,
grant, we pray, that through his intercession and example
we may in charity win brothers and sisters for Christ
and attain with them eternal glory.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
— Amen.



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**Your gift to the
Archbishop's Catholic
Appeal empowers
Parishes Formed
to Evangelize**

Dear fellow parishioners,
I hope you are all well, especially in your families at home. You are always in my prayers. I write to simply remind you of the Archbishop's appeal collection. So far, we have pledged \$15,817 for this year's archbishop appeal. If you have not pledged or contributed, kindly participate in this noble collection to support the ministries of the Archdiocese of Portland. You can donate online, check, or call us in the office to assist you. Each parish has been allocated a goal amount. Just as we do every year, I am hoping we will meet our goal this year too. Our goal this year is \$24,000 and in order to meet our goal, whenever you contribute, please clarify that you are from Our Lady of Sorrows Portland Oregon. The ministries of the archdiocese depend on the generosity of each one of us! God bless you for your generous contribution and on behalf of the archbishop and all who will benefit from these funds, Thank you!
Fr. Chrispine

Join us for this year's annual

Fall Holiday Bazaar!



Looking for something to do? Want to help support a local parish and community? Come and join in on the fun and possibly get an early start on your holiday shopping! We will have many handmade items, treats and goodies, and so many more wonderful treasures!

Where: Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Gym (SE 52nd and Woodstock)

When: Saturday October 18th & Sunday October 19th

Time: Saturday 9am- 4pm Sunday 9am- 2pm

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



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.

Save the Date...

Confirm your reservation right away!

Don't miss this opportunity to visit these most Holy and Sacred sites during the year of Jubilee 2025.



**Pilgrimage to
Fatima - Lourdes - Italy**
October 13 - 23, 2025
With Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Fr.
Chrispine Otieno
Your Chaplain

Join Fr. Chrispine for a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage!
Celebrate the 2025 Jubilee Year with a spiritual journey to Fatima, Lourdes, Rome, and Assisi. Experience the beauty of these sacred sites with daily Mass, guided tours, and special moments of prayer and reflection.

Scan the QR code to learn more and register or call: (800) 653-0017

Canterbury Pilgrimages
hello@canterburypilgrimages.com

August 16th & 17th

Food For the Poor

This weekend Father Chuck Huck will share his experience with Food for the Poor. At Food For The Poor, feeding the hungry is at the heart of their mission. They prioritize the preservation of human dignity and compassionate care for those in need. Our approach to poverty is rooted in sustainable, community-driven solutions that empower long-term change. From 2019 to 2023, we provided 943 million meals and delivered \$3.2 billion in aid to communities across Latin America and the Caribbean. Our growing network of donors and volunteers shares our belief that poverty is not inevitable—it is solvable. Join us in the fight: spread the word, shop from our Humanitarian Gift Catalog, or become a donor.

Faith Formation 2025-2026

Do you love the Catholic Church? Have you ever left mass and had questions? Have you ever tried to explain the Catholic Faith to a friend or Family member only to be at a loss for words?

We are all called to be well formed Evangelists of our Faith. What does that mean, and how can we get there?

Come to Faith Formation on Wednesday nights to learn something new about our faith. Share your personal experiences, in the faith, with fellow Parishioners.

We have programs for every age and every Catholic. See the Website for more details.

Faith Formation at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish



Catechism Classes for Children and Youth

- For kids in grades 1 – 8 whose families are registered parishioners
- Includes preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Eucharist in second grade
- **Sunday mornings at 9:45 am (between the 8:30 am and 11 am Masses), beginning Sunday, September 28th**
- To enroll your child, fill out the Religious Education registration form and return it to us at the Parish Office with the \$40 registration fee (\$50 for non-parishioners).

Confirmation for Teens

- **Wednesday nights at 5:30 pm, beginning Wednesday, September 24th**
- Prepares teens for the Sacrament of Confirmation by teaching them more about the important aspects of their Catholic faith (includes a service project)
- To enroll your student, fill out the youth Confirmation registration form and return it to us at the Parish Office with the \$50 fee.

Faith Formation for Adults

- **Wednesday nights at 7 pm, beginning Wednesday, September 24th**
- An opportunity for any interested adults to learn more about their Catholic faith
- Includes OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation) for those who wish to join the Catholic Church, and preparation for Confirmation for those adults who missed receiving the Sacrament as teens
- Registration is not required, unless you wish to join the Church through the OCIA, then you must fill out an OCIA registration form.



Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 17, 2025

Sunday:

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/
Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

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:

Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/
Mt 22:1-14

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 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

During my baseball career, my best coach often said, “You shouldn’t be worried if I yell at you. Be worried if I don’t. If I stop pushing you, it means I don’t think you have any more potential.” He demanded a lot, and I knew it meant he saw that I could be something special on the baseball field.

Jesus says some demanding words to us this week.

“Do you think I have come to establish peace on the earth?” he asks, “No, tell you, but rather division” (Luke 12:51). He wants you and me—in fact, all the earth—to participate in the luminous glory of God. That’s why he speaks of himself as a divine arsonist. Divine fire is like a good coach: it demands the removal of all that obstructs the achievement of the lofty goal.

How is your life demanding right now? That inconvenient family situation, the unfair boss at work, the kids who reject their parents’ wishes, the nagging health issue? Maybe things would be more peaceful devoid of these seemingly arbitrary difficulties. But for us who believe in the one who comes to set the earth of fire, we should be much more worried if he stops demanding so much from us. In fact, let’s thank him for it. He sees how glorious we can become.

— *Father John Muir*