

September 14th, 2025

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

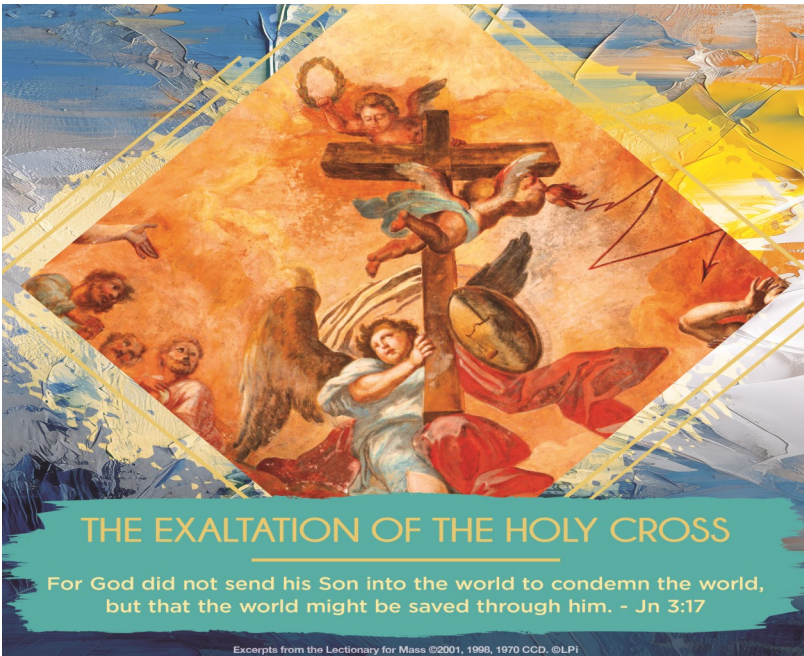
Parish Office located at 5350 SE Knight St.

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-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 3:00 PM

(Call the office for door access code)

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Mass.

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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Cathy Perisich, Sue Stoeger,

Tony Graham, Cynthia Roberti, Rosy Casper

Finance Council

Damir Karin, Carl Duyn,

Andjelique Skoro, Tim Crawley

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

(Lec.638)

1) Numbers 21:4b-9

2) Philippians 2:6-11

3) John 3:13-17

FOCUS: In the cross is our hope.

The cross, a horrible instrument of death, can be celebrated because there is no evil, no pain, no darkness which cannot be transformed by Christ. He enters into whatever we may be confronting to bring his perfect love, goodness, truth, and life to us. Lift high the cross, for through it, God has worked our salvation.

Collection Information for 09/02 Weekly

Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00

Offertory	\$3440.50
St. Vincent DePaul	\$898.00
Coffee and Donuts	\$60.50
Candles	\$18.52
Property Development	\$772.58
Area of Greatest Need	\$22.50
Total	\$5212.60

THAT THE WORLD
MIGHT BE
SAVED.

JOHN 3:17



THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



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. Chrispine to call me.

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

Mass for the Intentions Week

Wed-17th 12PM ✝ **Agatha Czuba**

Samuel Czuba

Thu-18th 12PM ✝ **Ila Neulrich**

Samuel Czuba

Fri-19th 12pm ✝ **Roger Honig**

Rosemary Hutchinson

Sat-20th 5PM **Pro Populo**

Sun-21st

8:30 AM

✝ **Connie Whitmarsh**

Mary Kraus

11AM

✝ **Kelly Ford**

Bill Ford

Diana Voelker

Jim Bachman

PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon-15th **No Mass**
Office Closed

Tues-16th Office Open 9-3:00
No Mass

Wed-17th Office Open 9-3:00
Mass 12PM

Thurs-18th Office Open 9-3:00
Mass 12PM

Fri-19th Office open 9-1pm
Mass 12PM

Sat-20th **Confessions 3:30-4:30PM**
Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Sun-21st **Feast of Our lady of Sorrows**
Masses @ 8:30 AM and 11 AM
Coffee and Doughnuts
Parish Picnic after 11

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION COUNTERS (09/16):

Leslie C., Chuck S., Caroline H., Rosy C.

Sept. 21st: Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

EOM: Rudy D.

Lector: Cynthia R.

Servers: Louis O.

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

EOM: Rosy C.

Lector: Tony G..

Servers: Jonathan S., Emeraude L.

Anastasia S., Kelcie A.

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

EOM: Don P.

Lector: Audrey H.

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

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, Richard Ellingson

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



TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS



What's Happening...

Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

Parish Picnic

Sunday September 21st 12 pm

Join us Sunday September 21st after the 11 am mass for the Parish Picnic and Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.

We will be providing the Main entrée for the picnic, and we encourage you to bring a dish or dessert to share with our parish family.

Why do we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows?

It commemorates the profound union of heart that existed between the Mother of the Redeemer and the Savior, through which she experienced many interior sorrows as a consequence of His Mission, but particularly during His Passion and Death .

Mary, under her title of “Our Lady of Sorrows”, is the patron saint of Slovakia, the Congregation of Holy Cross, Mola di Bari and the Molise region of Italy, Mississippi (in the United States), Dolores, Abra, (in the Philippines) and Lanzarote (in the Canary Islands), and in Portland the National Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows is at the Grotto, not to mention our Parish.

Let us all come together to celebrate and pray for our patroness to interceded for us, who never stops bringing us to her son.





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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 \$16,117 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



All Are Welcome
COME JOIN THE COMMUNITY

EASTMORELAND & WOODSTOCK
Octoberfest
Live Music * Food * Games

 **Otto's**
Brewery & Restaurant

September 20th, 2025
1pm to 8pm

MUSIC * FOOD * GAMES

Holy Family School Yard

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 September 14, 2025

Sunday:

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Monday:

1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

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:

1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50

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:

Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of my favorite movies is the 1991 comedy *What About Bob?* Bill Murray plays a troubled, paranoid hypochondriac named Bob Wiley who innocently but annoyingly hounds Dr. Leo Marvin, played by Richard Dreyfuss. Bob is paralyzed by his fear of, well, everything, and is convinced the psychologist can heal him. But Dr. Marvin's failed attempts to heal Bob end up driving the doctor to attempt to murder Bob. He fails. The surprise is that, having faced death head on, Bob is suddenly healed. He attributes his healing to Dr. Marvin for breakthrough "death therapy." In facing the cause of his deepest illness and dysfunction, Bob is healed.

Underneath this light-hearted comedy is a dead-serious resonance with this week's feast: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is lifted up on the cross to force us to face the truth of sin and death. In that reckoning we find healing. Like Moses' snake on a pole, the cross says: this is what is causing your sickness – rebellion, disobedience, sin. Look at it! Don't run from it. Now seeing it exposed, we see life. We see our physician mercifully healing us. In this sense, we are all like Bob Wiley. The "death therapy" of the cross is our only hope for healing.

This week I invite you to "exalt the cross." If you don't have one in your house, get one. Use it for prayer. Gaze on it frequently. It teaches us to not be afraid. It heals us.

— Father John Muir