

Our Lady of Sorrows

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Fr. Sebastian Mundackal



Mass Schedule

Daily

Monday—Friday 7:00 a.m.

Holy Days

7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Rector closed on all Holy Days

Sunday

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Confessions

Tuesday 6:45—7:00 a.m.; Saturday 4:00—4:45 p.m.

By appointment anytime

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Eucharistic Adoration: The Adoration Chapel is located in the South Sacristy; call the rectory for specific hours. Please come & spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacramental Policies:

For details on sacramental policies for infant baptism, adult initiation, anointing of the sick, Christian marriage, or religious vocations, stop by the rectory or visit our website: www.olsorrows.org.

Bulletin Articles:

Should be submitted by 9am Tuesday morning prior to the weekend the article is to run. Articles may be emailed to bulletin@olsorrows.org, faxed to 314.351.1602, or dropped off at the Rectory office.

From the Pastor's Desk

Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church for three reasons: 1) The Resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith. It is the greatest of the miracles, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your faith is in vain" (I Cor 15:14). "Jesus is Lord, he is risen" (Rom 10:9), was the central theme of the kerygma (or "preaching"), of the Apostles because Jesus prophesied his Resurrection as a sign of his Divinity: "Tear down this temple and in three days I will build it again" (Jn 2:19). The founder of no other religion has an empty tomb as Jesus has. In addition, neither Jews nor the Romans could disprove Jesus' Resurrection by presenting the dead body of Jesus. The Apostles and the early Christians were absolutely sure that Jesus had risen from the dead. They would not have faced martyrdom for a dead leader lying in the tomb. The sheer existence of a thriving, empire-conquering early-Christian Church, bravely facing and surviving three centuries of persecution, supports the truth of Christ's Resurrection. 2) Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will live even though he dies..." (Jn 11:25-26). 3) Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows, and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It is our belief in the Real Presence of the Risen Jesus in our souls, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament and in Heaven that gives meaning to our personal as well as our communal prayer and gives us strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

Life Messages:

#1 Let us live the lives of Resurrection people. Easter gives us the joyful message that we are a "Resurrection people." This means that we are not supposed to lie buried in the tomb of our sins, evil habits, dangerous addictions, despair, discouragement, or doubts. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life, constantly experiencing the living presence of the Risen Lord who loves us in all the events of our lives and amid the boredom, suffering, pain, and tensions of our day-to-day life.

#2 We need to live new, disciplined lives in the Risen Jesus. Our awareness of the all-pervading presence and love of the Risen Lord in and around us and the strong conviction of our own resurrection help us to control our thoughts, desires, words, and behavior. This salutary awareness inspires us to honor our bodies, keeping them holy, pure, and free from evil habits and addictions. Our conviction that the loving presence of the Risen Lord dwells in our neighbors and in all those we encounter should encourage us to respect them and to render them loving, humble, and selfless service.

#3 We need to become transparent Christians. We are called to be transparent Christians, showing others through our lives the love, mercy, compassion, and spirit of self-sacrificing service of the Risen Jesus living in our hearts.

#4 We need to live lives of love in the power of Jesus' Resurrection. Each time we try to practice Christian charity, mercy, and forgiveness and each time we fight against temptations, let us recall that we share in the Resurrection of Jesus here and now.



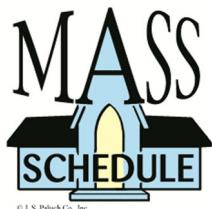
Dear parents, brothers, sisters & friends,

I would like to wish each of you a very happy and blessed Easter.

I pray that the peace of the Risen Lord remains in your heart and in the heart of your families at all times.

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad.
Alleluia!

Remain blessed always,
Fr. Sebastian



This Week @ OLS

SUN 4/4			
MON 4/5	Election Day set up	9:00 am	Faenger Hall
TUE 4/6	Election Day St. Vincent de Paul	6:00 am 7:00 pm	Faenger Hall Band Room
WED 4/7	Quilting Quilting Southside Basketball	8:00 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Rectory Rectory Faenger Hall
THU 4/8	Legion of Mary Confirmation Retreat	8:45 am 9:00 am	S/S Rooms Church, Café, Faenger, Band
	Private Event	6:00 pm	Band Room
	Girl Scouts	6:00 pm	Cafeteria
	RCIA	7:00 pm	Rectory
FRI 4/9			
SAT 4/10			
SUN 4/11			

Monday, April 5 Monday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Mt 28:8-15

7:00 a.m. †Mary Fran Morgan

Tuesday, April 6 Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
Jn 20:11-18

7:00 a.m. †Francis Schmitt

Wednesday, April 7 Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

7:00 a.m. †Frank LaFata

Thursday, April 8 Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

7:00 a.m. †Louise Naumann

Friday, April 9 Friday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a;
Jn 21:1-14

7:00 a.m. †Keith Alchnit

Saturday, April 10 Saturday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21;
Mk 16:9-15

5:00 p.m. †Linda Piasecki

servers: TBD

lectors: Katie Svejkosky & Pam Manning

Sunday, April 11 Sunday of Divine Mercy

Readings: Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

10:00 a.m. †Jack Reilly

servers: TBD

lectors: Denise Klevorn & Phil Klevorn

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Caring for our Community, Building on Tradition**



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Parish Mission Statement: We, the Catholic community of Our Lady of Sorrows, are disciples of Jesus Christ through our Baptism. Nourished by Word and Sacrament we seek to form adults, teens, and children in the ways of the Gospel, while welcoming new members to our parish and our Catholic faith. As a Eucharistic people, guided by the Holy Spirit, we minister to all, especially the ill, elderly, and those in need, through works of fellowship, charity and justice. We strive to continue the mission of our parish begun a century ago through the prayerful intercession of Mary, Our Mother.



Sunday, March 21, 2021

Envelopes:	\$ 3,893.
Loose:	\$ 603.
Online:	\$ 2,690.
	\$ 7,186.

**Thank you for your sacrificial gifts
to our parish!**

Welcome!

We welcome our devoted and faithful parishioners, neighbors who come regularly to support our mission, all St. Louisans of all faiths, and our visitors. Serving you in this beautiful church of Our Lady of Sorrows is a great privilege.

- Fr. Sebastian Mundackal, pastor
- Fr. Andrew Sigmund, retired in residence
- Deacon Dan Skillman, permanent deacon

E-mail Account for Bulletin Submissions

If you wish to submit content to the bulletin via e-mail, please use the new address: bulletin@olsorrows.org. This account will strictly be for bulletin articles. Please direct all other inquiries for the parish staff to rectory@olsorrows.org or olscan@sbcglobal.net.



Baptismal Preparation

The next Baptismal Preparation Evening is **MONDAY, APRIL 12** from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Rectory. If you need to have your child (under 7) baptized, please call 351-1600 to sign up for our next preparation opportunity.

Online Giving

Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.olsorrows.org and selecting the online giving link. If you need technical support, you can contact Our Sunday Visitor at 1-800-348-2886, option 4, or contact Anna Barringer in the rectory at 351-1600.



Contributions

In lieu of dropping your contribution envelopes in the collection basket at Sunday mass, you can mail them to the rectory, drop them in the mail slot located on the interior rectory door, or set up Online Giving. If you need technical support to set up Online Giving, you can contact Our Sunday Visitor at 1-800-348-2886 option 4.

Thank you for your continued generosity, prayers, and patience.

Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for Us

Pray for the Sick

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Baby Oliver	Kenny Mehring	Bob Reichelt
Carl Brown	Angela Mendoza	Robert Seeber
Mike Cebulski	Richard Messmer	Pamela Spieckerman
Mary Ann Chibnall	Julia Michalka	
Gary Harbstreet	John Moran	
Linda LeGrand	Rose Rehagen	

Join us in praying for the deceased members of our parish community:

Sheryl Peltz

To all who mourn their loss, we extend our deepest sympathy and prayers during this difficult time. We call on Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, to comfort you in your grief.



Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel **will be open every first Friday from 8am-5pm** with the Blessed Sacrament exposed. On other days when the Blessed Sacrament is not exposed, you may access the sanctuary through the chapel for quiet prayer.

Thank you.



The Stone is Rolled Away - Christ is Risen

Very early on Sunday morning the women went to the tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the entrance to the tomb, so they went in; but they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. They stood there puzzled about this, when suddenly two men in bright shining clothes stood by them.

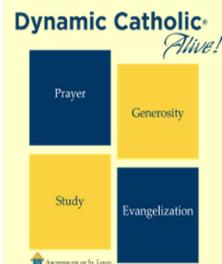
Full of fear, the women bowed down to the ground, as the men said to them, "Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive? He is not here; he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, be crucified, and three days later rise to life.'"

Luke 24:1-12 (GNV)

April 4: Easter Sunday- Resurrection and the Real Presence

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – Easter Sunday: Resurrection and the Real Presence

Surrexit Dominus Vere, Alleluia! The Lord is truly risen! Share this great news. Not only has the Lord risen, but He also remains present to us in every Catholic church throughout the world. As Pope Paul VI taught, "The Catholic Church



has always displayed and still displays this latria that ought to be paid to the Sacrament of the Eucharist, both during Mass and outside of it, by taking the greatest possible care of consecrated Hosts, by exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and by carrying them about in processions to the joy of great numbers of the people" (Mysterium Fidei 56). We derive great strength from the Risen Christ who is truly present in the Eucharist each Sunday. How privileged we are to receive His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity and also to adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Each tabernacle is a throne for the Risen King. We must take advantage of the opportunity to adore our Lord and to pray in His powerful presence. He has given us new life and has raised us to the status of adopted sons and daughters. Embrace this new life!

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Healing Mass @ OLS



**Next Healing Mass
Saturday, May 1**

1st Saturday of the month at 10:00am

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Hope everyone's Lenten Journey has been a beautiful one thus far. This is a reminder to bring in your CRS Rice Bowl with donations on Easter weekend through the following weekend. CRS Rice Bowl helps so many do so much. We thank you for your generosity.

Here's to a Glorious Easter Season!!

Your Social Justice Committee

St. Louis Public Library

The St Louis Public Library is doing a pilot program of home delivery once a month to residents of the City who are homebound or concerned about leaving due to covid.

More information is available at:

<https://www.spl.org/home-delivery/>

Dear pro-life friends,

Twice Blessed Resale Shop needs your excellent donations of small décor, women's spring and summer clothing, shoes, purses, and jewelry for Twice Blessed Resale Shop. The store benefits Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes in St. Louis and St. Charles, and trains clients in basic job skills. When you shop at Twice Blessed you will find boutique items at thrift store prices.

Visit us on Facebook or call us at (314) 481-3332 for more information. We are located in South St. Louis, at 3312 Meramec, 63118.

Visit us soon to donate, volunteer AND shop!

Spiritual Adoption

7th Month – "I like to listen to my mommy's voice!"



Photo taken from Illinois Right to Life's brochure The First Nine Months

Your spiritually adopted baby is finished developing and is concentrating on gaining weight. She weighs about 3 pounds and is the size of a large eggplant. She might be making her mother uncomfortable with her size. For some weeks now she has recognized her mother's voice. Her eyelids can now open and close. Her eyes look around and respond to light. She has a powerful grip – strong enough to support her body weight with one hand!

While we can't physically adopt every baby at risk of abortion, we can spiritually adopt them, praying for children who are known by God to be in need of extra help and protection. Please remember to pray for your spiritually adopted baby daily.

You may use the prayer below or create your own:

Lord Jesus, please give courage and strength to the parents of my spiritually adopted baby. May they be inspired by our Blessed Mother who trusted and said yes to God's plan for life. Please protect this child that they might grow in the image and likeness of the God who created them.

Spiritual Adoption Program is a program of the Respect Life Apostolate Archdiocese of St. Louis.



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Art News at SCCA!

The students have been very busy in Art this year. They have been making wonderful masterpieces and are developing their own personal style.

The past month, each class worked on a project relating to the school's theme of Faith, Hope, Service. The eighth grade studied the Parable of the Mustard Seed and are now making a quilt illustrating the parable. During February, Black History Month, each class has learned about a specific African American artist. Kindergarten learned about Horace Pippen and recreated one of his famous pieces of art. The fifth grade watched videos on the Gee's Bend quilters and are now making their own 2.5 x 3.5 paper quilt squares. Each student picked 8 pieces of paper and are designing 4 blocks. The goal of the project is to use all of the paper, meaning no scraps are to be left over!

Mrs. Whitney Compas
Art Teacher (JK-8)
South City Catholic Academy



Good Morning!

My name is Kalei Rincker, and I am the Kindergarten teacher at South City Catholic Academy. Right now, Kindergarten is working hard on deepening their independent reading and writing skills! It is always so exciting to see the progression in their skills and confidence throughout the year. Writing is my favorite subject to teach. I love seeing students express their thoughts through their writing and illustrations as well as seeing them grow in their ability to problem solve and sound out unfamiliar words. In literacy, we are also working on sight words and CVC words. CVC words are words that have three letters, two consonants and a short vowel. We practice our CVC words and sight words by playing a lot of different games. Some classroom favorites are, "Real vs. Silly", going on a sight word hunt, and playing interactive games on the SMART board. In religion, we are learning about Saint Patrick as well as starting an Easter countdown when we return from break. Each day, we will be opening an egg that includes a different object. That object will represent a story from the New Testament or focus on a different aspect of the Easter story. In math, we are currently working on addition, subtraction, and measurement. We do a lot of addition and subtraction practice with snacks. A classroom favorite is eating a certain number of Goldfish to solve the subtraction equation.

Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers this year. It has been a year with a lot of different challenges, but it has been wonderful seeing all my Kindergarten friends each day. They have done a fantastic job, and I am looking forward to the rest of the school year!

Mrs. Kalei Rincker
Kindergarten Teacher
South City Catholic Academy



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has made

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