

March 20, 2022



Third Sunday

of

Lent

God called out to Moses from
the burning bush and said,
“Remove the sandals from your feet,
for the place where you stand is holy ground.”

Exodus 3:4, 5

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Word of the Lord Missal, pg. 517

ENTRANCE**I Heard the Voice of Jesus** KINGSFOLD

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
And he has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that lifegiving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.
3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s light;
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I’ll walk
Till traveling days are done.

Text: CMD; Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt.

Music: trad. English melody, adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

“The Lord is kind and merciful.” (Repeat)

PREPARATIONMass for Church UnityCOMMUNION**Create in Me** Bob HurdRefrainCreate in me a clean heart.
(Repeat)

1. Have mercy on me, God,
in your compassion.
Remove my sin.
Wash me from my guilt.

2. O purify my heart
and teach me wisdom;
then I shall be
cleaner than the snow.

3. O give me back the joy
of your salvation;
a willing spirit
sustain in me.

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RECESSONAL**In Christ Alone** Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world, by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave he rose again!
As he stands in victory,
Sin’s course has lost its grip on me;
For I am his and he is mine,
Brought with the precious blood of Christ.

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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.

Rectory closed on all Holy Days

Sunday

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

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By appointment anytime

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St. Vincent de Paul (assistance line)	314-289-6101 mailbox 1123

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 9 a.m. Tuesday morning prior to the weekend the article is to run. Articles may be emailed to bulletin@olsorrows.org or dropped off at the rectory office.

From the Pastor's Desk

All three of today's readings speak of God's mercy and compassion in disciplining His children by occasional punishment while giving them another chance despite their repeated sins. Although God's love for us is constant and consistent, He will not save us without our co-operation. That is why He invites us during Lent to repent of our sins and to renew our lives by producing fruits of love, compassion, forgiveness, and faithful service.

Scripture lessons: The **first reading** tells us how God shows His mercy to His chosen people by giving them Moses as their leader and liberator. The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (v 6) reveals Himself to Moses from the burning bush and assures Moses of His Divine presence with His people and of His awareness of their sufferings in Egypt. He declares His intention to use Moses as the leader who will rescue His enslaved people. Then God reveals His name as Yahweh ("I AM Who AM") and renews His promise to the patriarchs (v 8), to give them a "land flowing with milk and honey." Our **Responsorial Psalm**, (Ps 103) reminds us of God's unfailing mercy: "*Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.*" The **second reading** warns us that our merciful God is also a disciplining God. Paul reminds the Christians of Corinth that they must learn from the sad experience of the Israelites who were punished for their sins by a merciful but just God. The merciful and gracious God is also just and demanding; hence, they must be free from sexual sins and idolatry. Today's **Gospel** explains how God disciplines His people and invites them to repent of their sins, to renew their lives, and to produce the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Citing two tragic events, Jesus

exhorts the Jews to repent and reform their lives. With the parable of the barren fig tree, Jesus also warns them that the merciful God will not put up with them indefinitely. Although God patiently waits for sinners to repent, giving them grace to do so, He will not wait forever. Time may run out; therefore, timely repentance is necessary. Hence, one can say, "A Lent missed is a year lost from the spiritual life."

Life Messages:

#1 We need to live lives of repentance, because: (a) we never know when we will meet a tragedy of our own. Let us turn to Christ, acknowledge our faults and failings, and receive from him mercy, forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. There is no better way to take these words of Jesus to heart than to go to sacramental confession, and there is no better time to go to confession than during Lent. (b) repentance helps us in life and in death. It helps us to live as forgiven people and helps us to face death without fear.

#2 We need to be fruitful trees in God's orchard. Lent is an ideal time "to dig around and manure" the tree of our life so that it may bring forth fruits of repentance, reconciliation, forgiveness, and sensitivity to the feelings of others.

3) We need to make the best use of the "second chances" God gives us. Our merciful Father always gives us second chances. During Lent, too, we are given another chance to repent and return to our Heavenly Father's love.

OLS History Minute

(from our 50th Anniversary book)

The original parish building on Gravois was also the meeting place for parish organizations and the site of many a parish social. Apparently during this first decade of the twentieth century one of the principal fund-raising events was the *euchre party*, predecessor in this respect of the current day lottoes and card parties. Prizes at these parties offer an interesting view of the nature of the community; for they were the donations of truck gardeners and business men and consisted of such items as fresh eggs, live chickens, wash boilers and tubs, coal oil lamps, and umbrellas.

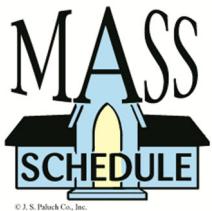
The transformation of the first floor of the parish building from school room into rooms for the use of euchre devotees was a well-planned and carefully executed endeavor. Desks were removed and placed in the yard where they were covered with a tarpaulin as a precautionary measure. Tables and chairs replaced the desks in the classrooms. Following the euchre, these were removed, the rooms were swept, desks were replaced, and the rooms once more assumed their original appearance.

*"O Lord,
be not mindful of my many sins,
but forgive me all my misdeeds,
for your mercy to me is without limit.*

*You have been my help
and my protection."*

— St. Ephrem of Syria





Monday, March 21 Lenten Weekday

Readings: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

7:00 a.m. †Susan Hayes

Tuesday, March 22 Lenten Weekday

Readings: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

7:00 a.m. †William J. Kikas

Wednesday, March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop

Readings: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

7:00 a.m. †Dannette Simpson

Thursday, March 24 St. Oscar Romero, bishop and martyr

Readings: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

7:00 a.m. †Joseph & Kathryn Darpel

Friday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord

Readings: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

7:00 a.m. †Edmund Schiller

Saturday, March 26 Lenten Weekday

Readings: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

5:00 p.m. †Janina Zmuda

servers: E. Nims, B. Nims

lectors: Sr. Judy Bell & Emily Zesch

Sunday, March 27 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Readings: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

8:00 a.m. †Sally Anne Klohr

servers: P. Thier, A. Thier

lector: Vickie Templin

10:00 a.m. †Albert Yanko

servers: E. Cline, L. Meyer

lectors: Brighid Kappel & Ann Garavaglia

This Week @ OLS

SUN 3/20	AFFC Bible Study Cub Scouts Pickleball	11:30 am 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Band Room Cafeteria Faenger Hall
MON 3/21	Pickleball/Exercise Private Event Southside Basketball	9:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm	Faenger Hall Cafeteria Faenger Hall
TUE 3/22	Pickleball/Exercise Over 50 Club Pickleball Bunco Seven Sorrows Rosary St. Vincent de Paul	9:00 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Faenger Hall Cafeteria Faenger Hall S/S Rooms Adoration Chapel Band Room
WED 3/23	Quilting Pickleball/Exercise Quilting Pickleball Boy Scouts	8:00 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Rectory Faenger Hall Rectory Faenger Hall Cafeteria
THU 3/24	Legion of Mary Pickleball/Exercise Games Adult Faith Private Event Line Dancing RCIA	8:45 am 9:00 am 1:00 pm 1:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	S/S Rooms Faenger Hall Band Room Notre Dame Rm Band Room Faenger Hall Rectory
FRI 3/25	Pickleball/Walking Fish Fry set up Fish Fry Prayer Service	8:30 am 1:00 pm 4:00 pm 7:00 pm	Faenger Hall Café, Band, F.H. Faenger Hall Church
SAT 3/26	Quilt Social set up Prayer Day	8:00 am 10:00 am	Café, F. Hall Cafeteria
SUN 3/27	AFFC Bible Study Quilt Social Boy Scouts Pickleball	11:30 am 10:30 am 3:00 pm 7:00 pm	Band Room Faenger Hall Cafeteria Faenger Hall

Early Bulletin Deadline

Due to the publisher's early deadline, all content for the April 10th bulletin must be submitted by 9:00 a.m. on **Tuesday, March 29th**.

Thank you for your cooperation!



*Sharing our Faith in Jesus,
Caring for our Community,
Building on Tradition*

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 OFFERING

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Envelopes:	\$ 6,030.
Loose:	\$ 630.
Online:	<u>\$ 2,165.</u>
	\$8,825.

**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 11** from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Rectory. If you need to have your child (under 7) baptized, please call 314-351-1600 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 314-351-1600.



Overcoming Disaster

In Bangladesh, cyclones and other natural disasters are increasing - destroying farms, homes and more - making it difficult for people like Noornobi to earn a living and support their families.



But Noornobi has learned new techniques to protect his land and income, enabling his niece and nephew to go to school. How can you care for creation to help the planet and our global family? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Pray for the Sick

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Justin B.	Sharon Huddleston	Julia Michalka
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Sue Bunch	Chris Lato	Bob Reichelt
Mike Cebulski	Linda LeGrand	Kevin Reilly
Rick Gahn	Vlad Mattingly	Christopher Seitz
Audrey Hacker	Cindy McMahon	Patricia Ulrich
Jay Hahn	Audrey Mehan	Ethan Wagner
Gary Harbstreet	Kenny Mehring	Krissy Wilson

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

Barbara Wedge

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.

**Laudato Si': Praise be to you!
Care for our Common Home**

In the heart of this world, the Lord of life, who loves us so much is always present. He does not abandon us. He does not leave us alone, for He has united Himself definitively to Earth and His love constantly impels us to find new ways forward." Pope Francis

Have you completed The Disciple Maker Index survey for "All Things New." Let's be steadfast in Faith and move forward in Hope.

PRAY FOR DOBBS

In 2018 Mississippi passed a law protecting unborn children after 15 weeks of gestation, when the baby has a heartbeat, eyes that open, ears that hear, and can move and kick. The law was immediately challenged by Mississippi's lone abortion clinic, the lower courts ruled that the law was unconstitutional. The case, known as Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, came before the Supreme Court. Oral arguments for the case were heard on December 1, 2021. A decision is expected in June 2022.

Please join people of every faith coming together in a united effort to pray and fast for the court, that the truth will be heard, that wisdom will prevail, and that LIFE will be protected. For updates go to www.prayfordobbs.com

Lenten Celebration at Our Lady of Sorrows

Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent at 12:00 noon

March 25 Parish reconciliation prayer service

Held at 7:00 p.m. in Church. Led by Deacon Dan. (Guest priests will be available for reconciliation.)

March 26 Prayer day

Prayer day for PSR & Altar Servers from 10:00 a.m.-12:00pm. Led by Fr. Sebastian. Lunch will be provided.

April 2 Recollection day

Recollection day for members of different ministries in the parish from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Lunch will be provided. The day begins with Mass at 10:00 a.m. in Church led by Fr. Thomas Sserwama.

April 6 Preparation for Holy Week

Led by Fr. Peter Fonseca from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Church.

April 10 Palm Sunday

Blessing of the palms at all three Masses.

April 14 Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's supper at 7:00 p.m. Church will be open until 12 midnight.

April 15 Good Friday

Stations of the Cross for children at 10:00 a.m. and for the whole parish at 12:00 noon. Solemn celebration of the Passion of the Lord at 7:00 p.m.

April 16 Easter Vigil

Solemn Easter Vigil begins at 8:00 p.m.

April 17 Easter

Easter Sunday Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.



Message of the Holy Father for Lent 2022 (*a continuation*)

2. **"Let us not grow tired of doing good."** Christ's resurrection enlivens earthly hopes with the "great hope" of eternal life, planting the seed of salvation in our present time (cf. BENEDICT XVI, *Spe Salvi*, 3; 7) Bitter disappointment at shattered dreams, deep concern for the challenges ahead and discouragement at the poverty of our resources, can make us tempted to seek refuge in self-centredness and indifference to the suffering of others. Indeed, even our best resources have their limitations: Youths grow tired and weary, the young stumble and fall" (*Is 40:30*). Yet God "gives strength to the weary, he strengthens the powerless...Those who hope in the Lord will regain their strength, they will soar on wings like eagles; though they run they will not grow weary, though they walk they will never tire>>(*Is 40:29,31*). The Lenten season calls us to place our faith and hope in the Lord (cf. *1 Pet 1:21*), since only if we fix our gaze on the risen Christ (cf. *Heb 12:2*) will we be able to respond to the Apostle's appeal, "Let us never grow tired of doing good" (*Gal 6:9*).

Let us not grow tired of praying. Jesus taught us to "pray always without becoming weary" (*Lk 18:1*). We need to pray because we need God. Thinking that we need nothing other than ourselves is a dangerous illusion. If the pandemic has heightened the awareness of our own personal and social fragility, may this Lent allow us to experience the consolation provided by faith in God, without whom we cannot stand firm (cf. *Is 7:9*). No one attains salvation alone, since we are all in the same boat, amid the storms of history [Cf. *Extraordinary Moment of Prayer presided over by Pope Francis* (27 March 2020)]; and certainly no one reaches salvation without God, for only the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ triumphs over the dark waters of death. Faith does not spare us life's burdens and tribulations, but it does allow us to face them in union with God in Christ, with the great hope that does not disappoint, whose pledge is the love that God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (cf. *Rom 5:1-5*).

Let us not grow tired of uprooting evil from our lives. May the corporal fasting to which Lent calls us fortify our spirit for the battle against sin. *Let us not grow tired of asking for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation*, knowing that God never tires of forgiving (Cf. *Angelus*, 17 March 2013). *Let us not grow tired of fighting against concupiscence*, that weakness which induces to selfishness and all evil, and finds in the course of history a variety of ways to lure men and women into sin (cf. *Fratelli Tutti*, 166). One of these is addiction to the digital media, which impoverishes human relationships. Lent is a propitious time to resist these temptations and to cultivate instead a more integral form of human communication (*ibid.*, 43) made up of "authentic encounters" (*ibid.*, 50), face-to-face and in person.

(to be continued next week)



STRATEGIC PASTORAL PLANNING INITIATIVE
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Beginning on March 2, 2022 and ending on April 4, 2022, all Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows will have the opportunity to participate in the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey. This survey will provide you the opportunity to share feedback about Our Lady of Sorrows Parish to the **All Things New** Strategic Pastoral Planning Team. Surveys can be completed by each member of your household.

The **website** to access the DMI Survey is <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/yk0693>. If you do not have access to a computer or internet, paper copies of the Survey will be provided at all the exits of the Church. Please return the completed paper copies and place them in the box marked "**DMI SURVEY**" which will be located at all the exits of the Church and in the entry area of the Rectory.

Please take time to complete the Survey, so that the voice of our Parish can be heard.

Thank you.

Annual Diaper Drive

Please mark your calendar!!! The weekends, **March 20th & 27th, 2022**, the Permanent Deacons in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, in conjunction with the Respect Life Office, will be collecting diapers for infants and toddlers as part of our 7th Annual diocesan-wide Pro-Life service project to assist families in need. We would ask that you please consider placing the purchase of infant or toddler diapers on your shopping list and bring them to



Mass with you the weekends of March 20th & 27th and **place them in the St. Vincent de Paul Food Baskets** located at all the entry doors to the Church. All diapers collected will be donated to assist families with Foster Together and our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Deacon Dan at (314) 351-1600. We ask that you pray for the success of this project and to please be as generous as possible. Thank you.



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OUR DATE: Wednesday, March 30, 2022

OUR TIME: 1:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

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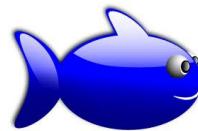
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Sunday, March 27, 2022

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Quilt and Afghan Raffle

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Sleepers Pot of Gold

Instant Bingo

Attendance Prizes

Refreshments Available

Bring Daubers

MASKS ARE REQUIRED

Sponsored by the Our Lady of Sorrows Women's Guild

New Parishioners

Our Lady of Sorrows welcomed the following new parishioners at Mass:



Joseph and Karen Mortillaro

We are so happy to have you join our parish family! We believe you will find OLS to be a welcoming, faith-filled, and tradition-rich community.

Join Us

Pickleball (open play) for beginners and experienced players every Tuesday & Wednesday evening from 6-9pm at OLS gym. Daytime play continues Monday-Thursday from 9-11am. Cost is \$20 for ten weeks.

We will also be playing pickleball and walking from 8:30-10:00am on Fridays during Lent.

Bunco for moms (and for anyone else who would like to join us) will be held on the fourth Tuesday of the month beginning March 22nd at 6:30pm in the Schuermann/Stolte rooms. Bring along your own drink and a snack to share. Call Brighid at 314-517-8809 or Ev at 314-352-2091.



Springtime craft (see picture) on April 7 at 6:30pm in the Schuermann/Stolte rooms. Cost is \$25. Each participant will choose from four different colors and four stencils. A variety of ribbon will be available. All supplies will be provided. Each item will be a unique design.

Parish Registration

Are you new to our neighborhood or parish community? We'd love to welcome you into our parish family! Fill out the form below, drop it in the collection basket, and our staff will reach out to you soon.

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