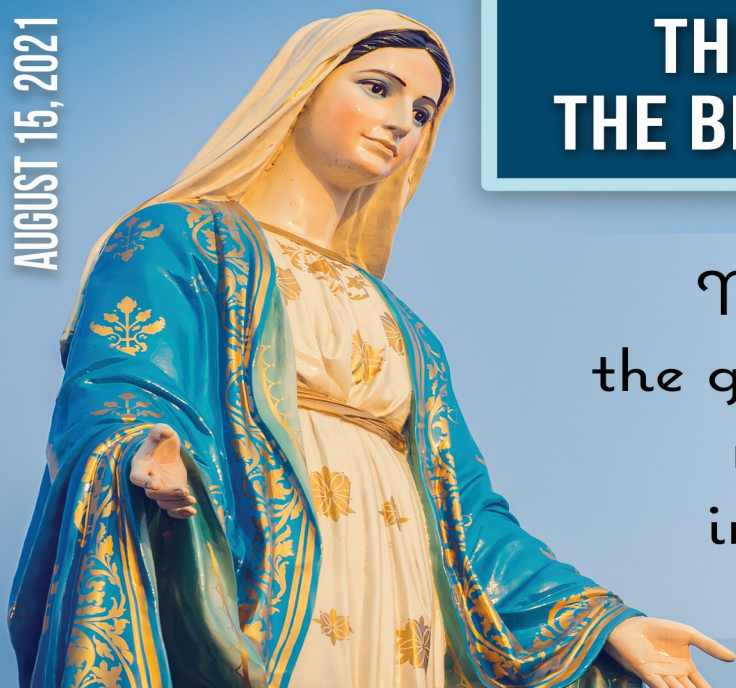




Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

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AUGUST 15, 2021



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

My soul proclaims
the greatness of the Lord;
my spirit rejoices
in God my Savior.

Luke 1:46

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Mass Times

Weekdays 8AM - English
Thursday 7PM - Spanish
Saturday 5:30PM - English (Vigil)
Sunday 8AM - Polish
9:30AM - English
11AM - English
12:30PM - Spanish

Adoration

Thursday 9AM - 7PM
First Friday 5 - 6PM

Confession Times

Thursday 6 - 6:50PM
Saturday 5 - 5:20PM
Sunday 9:10 - 9:25AM
10:40 - 10:55AM
12:10 - 12:25PM

Our Parish Staff

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Mass Intentions

SUN 15	8:00AM Polish Intentions 9:30AM M.Miksch + family special intention Special Intention of Family 11:00AM +Armand Sanchez Julian and Eloisa Bustamante 12:30PM +Adelina Maldonado Santiago Family + Castillo Family
MON 16	8:00AM For all the babies in the womb throughout the world in danger of abortion and for their mothers Thanksgiving for intercession of Our Blessed Mother
TUES 17	8:00AM The reversal of Roe vs Wade Thanksgiving for intercession of Our Blessed Mother
WED 18	8:00AM Raven Lopez Birthday
THUR 19	8:00AM Maldonado Family Members 7:00PM +Robert Maldonado
FRI 20	8:00AM Special Intention of Armando Campos
SAT 21	5:30PM Lidia Christopher Aguillon

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Thursday, August 19

- Adoration 9am-7pm
- Devotion to Seven Sorrows of Mary at 5:30pm
- Mass in Spanish at 7pm

Friday, August 20

- Adoration 5-6pm

Ministry Personnel

CCD Director:	Darlene Jimenez 210-771-5757
RCIA/RCIC Director:	Kimberly Brietske kimbrietske@gmail.com
Altar Society:	Hope Aguillon 210-818-7217
Knights of Columbus:	George Alcantar 210-422-5502
Hospitality:	Aurora Lopez 210-732-1945
Guadalupanas:	Teresa Perez 210-259-3897
Parish Sacristan:	Antonio Morales

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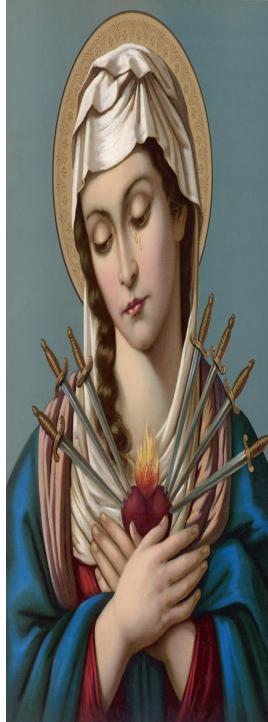
Collection July 3-1

First Collection	\$2,671.00
Second Collection	\$1,147.28
Candles	\$431.50
Donations	\$1,440.00
Mass Intentions	\$5.00

Online Giving for July	\$2,141.00
Mass Attendance:	229

Second Collections:

August 22	For Servants of the Poor Congregation of India.
August 29	For Building Fund



Readings for the Week

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69



MINISTRY FAIR

Come discover the many opportunities to share your talents in our faith community!

August 14 & 15, 2021

Visit us after all weekend masses in the Chavez Center and explore opportunities to serve.

Light refreshments will be served, and a **raffle ticket** will be given to each attendee for a drawing at the end of the weekend.

If you are unable to attend the fair but want more information about a ministry or would like to participate in a ministry please contact the parish office at 210.732.6295.

Parish Life Ministries

Hospitality Committee: The Hospitality Committee makes every new and current parishioner feel that they are part of a warm, supportive, and hospitable community where “all are welcome.” Contact: Aurora Lopez 210.732.1945

Guadalupeans: The Guadalupeans are a group of devout Christian women who are united together in works of charity and religious activities. They are actively involved in church functions and celebrations. Contact: Teresa Perez 210.259.3897

Knights of Columbus: The Knights was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works. Contact George Alcantar 210.422.5502

Altar Society: The Altar Society is responsible for keeping the church clean and decorated, polishing altar vessels, and many of the items required for the altar and the priest’s attire. Their major duty is to see that our altar is always properly decorated for every weekend service and for particular seasons of the year. Contact: Hope Aguillon 210.818.7217

Liturgical Ministries

We need someone to coordinate the ministries below

Altar Servers: An altar server attends to supporting tasks at the altar during Mass such as ringing the altar bell, bringing up the gifts, bringing up the book, among other things.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Assist the Priest by distributing Communion during Mass. They may also take the sacraments to those who are ill, or otherwise unable to attend Mass.

Choirs: A body of singers entrusted with the musical parts of the Church service.

Lectors: Proclaim God’s Word to the Assembly during Lord’s Day liturgies.

Ushers: Ushers greet and welcome mass attendees at the church entrance ways and assist during communion.

Sacristan: The Sacristan is charged with the care of the sacristy especially in preparation of the vessels before and after masses. The Sacristans are crucial to ensuring vessels are prepared for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Faith Formation Ministries

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Christianity above the age of infant baptism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. Contact: Kimberly Bristke at kimbriestke@gmail.com

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC): a process for children, ages 8-17, who have not been baptized and want to join the Catholic Church. Teachers for RCIC share the basics of the Catholic faith with these children and help them live their call as disciples of Jesus Christ. Contact: Kimberly Bristke at kimbriestke@gmail.com

Catechists and Aides for Religious Education Program: Engage school-age children in prayer and activities to encourage them in developing a personal relationship with Christ Jesus and expressing their faith according to the teachings of the Catholic Church. Catechists are needed for Sunday morning, September through May. Contact: Darlene Jimenez 210.771.5757 / Office

Possible New Ministries

What new ministries do you have in mind for Our Parish?
Below are some possibilities

Festival Committee: Plan and create a yearly festival to raise funds for the parish.

Maintenance and Cleaning: Keeping the Church clean and safe for all parishioners.

Marriage Preparation Program: Christian marriage is a sacrament, the Catholic Church wants couples to be well-prepared. Dioceses and parishes offer marriage preparation to help couples develop a better understanding of the sacrament; to evaluate and deepen their readiness to live married life, and to gain insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple.

Perpetual Adoration: Perpetual Adoration is a Eucharistic devotion where members of a given parish (or other entity) unite in taking hours of adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament every Thursdays.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: A network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships and service to people in need.

Youth Ministries: Youth ministry is the response of the Christian community to the needs of young people, and the sharing of the unique gifts of the youth with the larger community.

Bible Study Coordinators: Bible study is the study of the Bible by ordinary people as a personal religious practice.

Communion to the Homebound: Communion Ministers to the Sick and Homebound are regularly appointed Communion Ministers assigned to the Parish. These ministers have volunteered to bring the Body of Christ to those unable to receive in any other manner.

Social media and Website Content Management Team: Team to monitor and update social media parish accounts and website as needed.

SAVE THE DATE!

OLS is planning a **Liturgical Workshop** for choir members, sacristans, altar servers, ushers, lectors and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion who are serving at our parish. All those interested in finding out more about serving in these ministries are encouraged and welcome to attend!

This workshop will be held on **Friday, August 27th, 2021 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm**. Call the parish office for more information.



Registration for the upcoming 2021-2022 catechetical year will continue after all Sunday masses! Please go to the Ministry Fair located in the Chavez Center!

Religious Education Classes will start on **August 29th at 9:00am**.

ATTENTION!

SCAM text messages and emails are being sent to parishioners claiming to be Father Jorge or former pastors asking for money or gift cards. This is a SCAM please do not believe the message.

Building Committee

Volunteers needed!

The church is looking for parishioners knowledgeable in areas of construction, building trades, maintenance, heating, and cooling, etc., and a desire to participate with others in this committee.

The committee serves as a body of experts who advise the pastor and parish staff in the planning and completion of the various building projects. If you feel called to serve the church in this way, please contact Fr Dennis or Amada Briones for more information.



Join us for the

Installation Mass for Rev. Jorge Campos

as Pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church



August 28, 2021 | 5:30pm

Celebrant: Bishop Michael Boulette

MISSION APPEAL – SECOND COLLECTION:

This coming weekend, **August 21 & 22, 2021**, we will have representatives from the Servants of the Poor Congregation of India. They will make an appeal to help with “rendering services both Material and Spiritual to the poor”.

Your generosity to this appeal will be used by the sisters to support mainly people who are affected and infected by the covid-19, health care services, education, orphanages, boarding homes, adoption centers, rehabilitation homes, social service centers, and centers for evangelization. Thank you for helping these missionaries bring Christ to the poor.

Sister Jessy George and her sisters serving in San Antonio Archdiocese will be here to make this appeal. Please be generous to this most worthy cause.



Estimados feligreses,

Hoy celebramos la Asunción de la Virgen.

Esta es la obra de la Iglesia militante, la Iglesia en la tierra: construir el reino de Cristo y atraer a más personas a su amistad, para que puedan seguirlo y encontrar el sentido de sus vidas. ¿Qué pasará al final de la historia? ¿Qué será la Iglesia cuando terminen los años de construcción? Una de las lecciones importantes de la fiesta de hoy es precisamente la respuesta a esta pregunta.

Los cristianos siempre han visto a la Virgen María como una imagen de toda la Iglesia. La Iglesia tiene una relación similar con el cuerpo místico de Cristo, con cada cristiano, los miembros de ese cuerpo. La Iglesia introduce continuamente a Cristo en el mundo a través de sus muchas obras de amor y misión, particularmente al traer más cristianos al mundo en el bautismo. A través de sus enseñanzas y sacramentos, la Iglesia se preocupa por sus miembros y los acompaña a medida que crecen y llevan a cabo sus misiones.

Así como Dios transfirió a María al cielo, en cuerpo y alma, al final de su misión terrenal, así Dios elevará a toda la Iglesia a una comunión plena consigo mismo en el cielo al final de la historia. Una de las imágenes favoritas utilizadas por los primeros artistas cristianos para representar a la Iglesia era un barco enorme. La Iglesia es una versión espiritual del Arca de Noé. Este mundo caído está abrumado por el pecado, las pruebas y el dolor. Pero Dios nos ha proporcionado un barco con el que podemos contar para navegar a través de todo eso. Y el barco en sí está hecho de material terrestre ordinario: se anuncian sus imperfecciones y fallas. Pero se mantienen unidos, protegidos y guiados por algo infalible e indestructible: el Espíritu Santo.

Una de las implicaciones prácticas de este hecho recibe especial atención en las oraciones litúrgicas de hoy. En el prefacio de la plegaria eucarística para celebrar la fiesta del día, el sacerdote reza: "Hoy la Virgen Madre de Dios ascendió al cielo para ser principio y modelo de la Iglesia en su perfección, y signo de esperanza y consuelo para usted. La gente está en el camino de la peregrinación ". ¿Por qué es un signo de esperanza y consuelo? Porque la tierra no es un paraíso. Así, la suposición de María nos da consuelo y esperanza mientras tropezamos con las dificultades de la vida, nos permite perseverar a través de nuestras pruebas, como Ella lo hizo, y nos regocijamos en el Señor incluso mientras el mundo nos turba.

Pongámonos en las manos de María y le pidamos la gracia de perseverar en nuestra fe hasta la muerte como Ella lo hizo, para que también podamos participar de la resurrección.

P. Dennis Venegas



Prayer Vigil for One Nation

You are invited to the St. Joan of Arc Brigade Prayer Vigil for One Nation Under God in the Church from 6 to 7pm Monday July 19th.

Quinceañeras

Please kindly contact the office at least three months in advance.

Rentals

The Chavez Center and Parish Hall are available to rent for both parishioners and non-parishioners.

The banner features a background image of hands typing on a laptop. On the left, a green box contains the text "Please consider giving your weekly offering online." and a QR code. Above the box is the "Online Giving" logo. Below the QR code is the URL "www.olssa.org/online-giving". In the top right corner, there is a logo for "Our Lady of Sorrows CATHOLIC CHURCH".

ONLINE GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE @ olssa.org then click on ONLINE GIVING

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption.

This is the work of the Church militant, the Church on earth: build up Christ's Kingdom, to bring increased people into his friendship, so that they follow him and find the meaning their lives are meant to have. What will happen at the end of history? What will the Church become when the years of building reach its completion? An important lesson of today's Solemnity is precisely the answer to that question.

Christians have always seen the Blessed Virgin Mary as an image of the Church. The Church has a similar relationship with the mystical body of Christ with every Christian, the members of that body. The Church continually brings Christ into the world through her many works of charity and apostolate, and especially through bringing more Christians into the world in baptism.

With her teaching and sacraments, the Church cares for and accompanies her members as they grow to maturity and carry out their missions.

Just as God assumed Mary into heaven, body and soul, at the end of her mission on Earth, also God will lift the whole Church into perfect communion with himself in heaven at the end of history. One of the favorite images used by early Christian artists to represent the Church was a huge ship. The Church is like a spiritual version of Noah's Ark. This fallen world is flooded with sin, temptation, and suffering. But God has provided us with a dependable vessel to sail us through all that. The ship itself is made of normal, earthly material: human beings, with their flaws and failures. But it is held together, protected, and guided by something infallible and indestructible: the Holy Spirit.

One of the practical repercussions of this truth is given special attention by today's liturgical prayers. In the preface to the Eucharistic Prayer for today's Solemnity, the priest prays: "Today the virgin Mother of God was taken up into heaven to be the beginning and the pattern of the Church in its perfection, and a sign of hope and comfort for your people on their pilgrim way." Why is it a sign of hope and comfort? Because earth is not heaven. And so, Mary's Assumption gives us comfort and hope as we stumble through life's hardships, enabling us to persevere through our trials, as she did, and to rejoice in the Lord even while the world gives us trouble.

Let us place ourselves in Mary's hands and ask her to grant us grace to persevere in our faith until death as she did, so that we may also participate of the resurrection.

Father Dennis Venegas



Saint John Eudes (1601-1680)

St. John Eudes was a French missionary and the founder of the Congregation of Our Lady of Charity, and was also the author of the liturgical worship of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. St. John was born at Ri, France on November 14th, 1601. At the age of fourteen he took a vow of chastity and since the time he was a child he tried to live in imitation of the Lord Jesus. When he was ordained a priest in 1625, at the age of 24, he was immediately thrust into the service of victims of the plague, whom he cared for at great risk to his own life. He also began preaching missions and was known as the greatest preacher of his age, preaching missions all over France, especially throughout Normandy. In 1641 he founded the Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Refuge, to provide a refuge for prostitutes. In 1643 he founded the Society of Jesus and Mary for the education of priests and for missionary work. He was also instrumental in encouraging devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Holy Heart of Mary, writing the first book ever on the devotion to the Sacred Hearts, "Le Coeur Admirable de la Très Sainte Mère de Dieu". He died at Caen, on August 19th, 1680. His virtues were declared heroic by Leo XIII, on January 6th, 1903. The miracles proposed for his beatification were approved by Pius X, May 3, 1908, and he was beatified April 25th, 1909. He was canonized in 1925.