PALM SUNDAY

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Hosanna!

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Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Our Lady of Sorrows-Saint Anthony Hamilton, New Jersey April 9, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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APR 10—	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK		
7 AM	Anna Kinsky ~ Family		
	Raymond R Bancroft Jr		
	~ F Hutchinson & J Zoller		
8 AM	Vincent Rienzi ~ Family		
	Mollye Carroll ~ J Zimmerly		
APR 11—	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK		
7 AM	Lucy Mulé ~ Granddaughter S Sorrento		
	Jeffrey Robert Hoefler ~ S Anatole		
8 AM	Dolores Rosetti ~ Massi Family		
	Mary Massi Costa ~ Massi Family		
, APR 12—	WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK		
7 AM	Peter & Robert Arnone ~ C & J Arnone		
	Irene K Stieber ~ M M Anderson		
Apr 13—I	HOLY THURSDAY		
	No morning Masses		
7 PM	Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper		
APR 14—G	GOOD FRIDAY		
	No morning Masses		
10ам	Morning Prayer		
3 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion &		
	Death		
3 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion &		
	Death (English)		
5 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion &		
	Death (Creole)		
APR 15—I	HOLY SATURDAY		
	No morning Mass		
10ам	Morning Prayer & Blessing of Food		
7 PM	For the People of the Parish		
APR 16—	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION		
	OF THE LORD		
8 AM	For Deceased Priests, Deacons. &		
	Religious		
9:30 AM	For the Sick & Homebound		
11 AM	Intentions of Bishop O'Connell		
12:30 РМ	Intentions of Pope Francis		
	8 AM APR 11—7 7 AM 8 AM APR 12—7 AM APR 13—I 7 PM APR 14—G 10AM 3 PM 5 PM APR 15—I 10AM 7 PM APR 16—I 8 AM 9:30 AM 11 AM		

Please Note

SA 6:30 PM For the Harmony of Families

The Parish Office will close at 12:30 p.m. on Holy Thursday (April 13) and remain closed on Good Friday (April 14). It will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Holy Saturday (April 15). It will be closed on Easter Monday (April 17), and will reopen at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 18.

AT YOUR SERVICE

New? If you'd like to join the parish, please visit the parish office and complete a registration form. We'll give you a supply of numbered envelopes. Their use will ensure that we can provide you with contribution information for income tax purposes and help document your participation in the liturgical life of your parish.

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ARRANGE FOR:

- Baptism Call well in advance to schedule.
- Matrimony Call at least a year prior to your planned date.
- Anointing of the Sick This is not a sacrament for only those who are at the point of death, but also those facing a serious illness.
- Holy Eucharist for the Homebound
- Bereavement Counseling
- Annulment Process Information

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS - If you want to join the Catholic Church or complete your sacraments of initiation (First Eucharist and/or Confirmation), join us for the RCIA. Weekly classes begin each September.

Low-Gluten (0.01%) Hosts - We provide low-gluten hosts for those with Celiac Disease. Please inform the priest or deacon prior to the celebration of Mass; at communion time, approach the priest celebrant who will have this sacred host.

SANCTUARY MEMORIALS - Weekly sanctuary lamps or flowers for Masses may be requested in memory of a loved one or to mark a special occasion. The cost of a lamp is \$15; floral arrangements are \$75. Please visit the parish office at least a week in advance, so that the dedication may be included in the bulletin.

Mass Intentions - Masses should be requested at the parish office; the stipend is \$10.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK - If you would like to be placed on the sick list, please call the rectory office. (If you're calling for someone else, kindly make sure you have their permission.) Please note that names will be removed from the published prayer list after 12 weeks unless other arrangements have been made.

Our Mission Statement

We are the Parish of Our Lady of Sorrows - Saint Anthony, a Roman Catholic Community; as one Eucharistic Family, we are Christ-centered and Spirit-led. Children of God our Father, we are united by His Love and sustained by the intercession of Our Lady and Saint Anthony. We give witness to our faith in action.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners:

We have arrived at the most sacred week of the year. Please refer to the schedule of Masses and other services that mark this Holy Week. I especially encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity for sacramental confession on Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Try to attend the beautiful and moving liturgies that commemorate the saving events of our redemption.

As we relive today the joy of the crowds who greeted Jesus on his entrance into Jerusalem, we unite ourselves to the whole Church as she walks the way to Calvary in sorrow, but with confidence that what will seem like a catastrophe is in truth the Passover of the Lord to exaltation—and the key to our own salvation.

Make Holy Week a priority and invite friends and family to join you at the sacred rites!

O gates, lift high your heads; Grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!

A Blessed Holy Week to All! Msgr. Gervasio

Stewardship Report

Weekly Collection: April 2	\$20,226
Online Giving	\$6,187
Lenten Work of Mercy (additional)	\$2,717
Total to date	\$6,155

Annual Catholic Appeal (45% of goal as of 4/4) Pledged: \$49,434 Paid \$32,630 Donors: 324

Good Friday Is a Day of Fast and Abstinence

This means that:

All Catholics 18 to 59 years of age are restricted to one full meal. Two lesser meals are permitted

All Catholics over 14 years of age must abstain from meat (and soup or gravy made from meat).

Our Easter Appeal



The Easter Collection is one of the most important of the year. Through your generous financial support our parish is able to meet its many obligations. Be as generous as your means permit.

Easter Sunday is no ordinary Sunday of ye—it is the Solemnity of Solemnities. Your sacrificial gift is important!

Mesaj ki soti nan biwo Kiré pawas la

Frè-m ak Sè-m yo:

Nou rive nan semen ki pi sakre nan lane a. Tanpri refere w a ore Lames yo ak sevis kap fet nan Semen Sent sa a. Mwen sitou ankouraje w a pran avantaj de opotinite pou Sakreman Konfesyon kap fet Madi a 7:00pm nan Legliz OLS. Vinn patisipe nan bel litiji sa yo ki ap komemore evenman de sovtaj redanmsyon nou.

Aloske nap reviv jodia foul la ki te salye Jezi le Li tap antre nan lavil Jerizalem, nap ini nou a tout Legliz la kom lap dirije I nan chemen Kalve nan chagren, men ak konfyans sa pral sanble a yon katastwf ki se yon verite Pasove Senye a a ekzaltasyon—e se kle pwop sali nou.

Fe Semen Sent la yon priyorite nan lavi nou epi envite zanmi nou ak fanmi nou a vinn patisipe nan rit sakre sa yo!

> O barye, leve tet w wo Mete sekirite nan ansyen barye yo Kite la Roi des rois antre! Kiles ki le Roi des rois? SeLi, Notre Seigneur, Li se le Roi des rois!

> > A tout moun, Bon Semen Sent! Msgr. Gervasio

Apèl pou Fèt Pak nou an

Kèt Fèt Pak la se kèt ki pi enpòtan nan lané a. Gras a gwo sipò w, pawas nou an an mezi pou reponn a anpil obligasyon. Sipòte dapre mwayen w! Jou Dimanch Pak la, se pa yon Dimanch tankou lòt Dimanch nan ané a—se Fèt Solanèl ki pi gwo. Sipò

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest, and instability have been especially hard on Christians, In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

Please be generous!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/goodfriday.

Holy Week & Easter 2017

(OLS: Our Lady of Sorrows; SA: St. Anthony)

Sacred Liturgies

Passion (Palm) Sunday - April 9

Masses follow the regular Sunday schedule 5:00 p.m. Mass in Creole at SA

Monday of Holy Week – April 10

Masses: 7:00 a.m. at OLS; 8:00 a.m. at SA 7:30 p.m. - Chrism Mass St. Robert Bellarmine Co-Cathedral, Freehold

Tuesday of Holy Week - April 11

Masses: 7:00 a.m. at OLS; 8:00 a.m. at SA Confessions: 7:00 p.m. at OLS

Wednesday of Holy Week - April 12

Mass: 7:00 a.m. at OLS The Way of the Cross - 12:15 p.m. at SA

Solemn Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday - April 13

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 p.m. at SA only, followed by Adoration, concluding with Night Prayer at 10:45 p.m.

Good Friday - April 14

Morning Prayer - 10:00 a.m. at OLS Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death 3:00 p.m. at OLS (English) 3:00 p.m. at SA (English & Creole) The Way of the Cross - 7:00 p.m. at OLS (English)

Holy Saturday - April 15

Morning Prayer & Blessing of Food - 10:00 a.m. at OLS No afternoon confessions Solemn Easter Vigil - 7:30 p.m. at SA only

Easter Sunday - April 16

8:00 & 11:00 a.m.; 12:30 p.m. at OLS 9:30 a.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Creole) at SA

Many Hands Make Light Work



Join your fellow parishioners after Stations of the Cross on Good Friday to help decorate Our Lady of Sorrows Church to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord. Many hands will make light work, so bring your family and friends!

Blessing of Food

Please join us for a special liturgy for the blessing of Easter foods. This traditional custom will take place on Saturday, April 15, at Our Lady of Sorrows immediately after



Morning Prayer, which begins at 10:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday Visitation Hours

Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption

151 N Warren St, Trenton Adoration until midnight.

Our Lady of the Angels Parish Immaculate Conception Church

540 Chestnut Ave, Trenton Adoration in the Chapel of Repose until 10 p.m.

Sacred Heart

343 South Broad St, Trenton Adoration until 10 p.m.

St. Ann

1253 Lawrenceville Rd, Lawrenceville Adoration until Night Prayer at 11:00 p.m.

St. David the King

1 New Village Rd, Princeton Jct. Adoration after 8 p.m. Mass until 11 p.m.

St. George

1370 River Rd (Rte 29). Titusville Night Prayer & Adoration until midnight

St. Gregory the Great Parish

4620 Nottingham Way, Hamilton Adoration until Night Prayer at 11:45 p.m.

St. Hedwig

872 Brunswick Ave, Trenton Adoration until 10 a.m.

St. James

115 E Delaware Ave, Pennington Adoration until midnight followed by Night Prayer.

St. John the Baptist

1282 Yardville-Allentown Rd, Allentown Adoration at Altar of Repose until 11:45 p.m.

St. Mary Parish

45 Crosswicks St, Bordentown Adoration will probably end at 10:00 pm.

St. Paul

216 Nassau Street, Princeton Adoration in Mercy Chapel from 9 p.m. to midnight

St. Raphael – Holy Angels Parish St. Raphael Parish Center

3500 S Broad St, Hamilton Adoration until Night Prayer at 11:45 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul

555 Yardville-Allentown Rd, Hamilton Adoration until midnight.

Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased

Walter Chady Mary DePuglia

The Celebration of Mass with the Anointing of the Sick

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 25 Our Lady of Sorrows Church

By the sacred anointing of the sick and the prayer of the priests, the whole Church commends those who are ill to the suffering and glorified Lord, that he may raise them up and save them." (CCC 1499)

Who may receive this sacrament?

- Those awaiting a surgery of a serious nature.
- The elderly who are notably weakened, even if not seriously ill.
- Sick children may be strengthened through this anointing.

Our parish invites all those Catholics who may be ill to this sacred encounter that they might know that Christ, who often visited and healed the sick, loves them in their illness.

Yarn Yarn Yarn

Bring your yarn to church on the weekend of April 22. Yarn, of any color, is needed and will be collected for the Rosary Altar Prayer Shawl Makers. We pray over the shawls as we make them and give them to the various Hospitals and Nursing Homes. Baskets will be provided at the Church doors after all the Masses. For further information please contact Joyce Farina (888-0437).

Sanctuary Lamps

At Our Lady of Sorrows

One lamp burns in loving memory of **Thomas A. Fox** at the request of his wife, Pauline.

The other lamp, lit in loving memory of **Bernard Farletta**, was requested by his wife and children.

At Saint Anthony

Both lamps burn in loving memory of **John Britton** at the request of his wife June Britton.

Holy Name Society News

The OLS-SA Holy Name Society will meet at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12, in the Church Library. The subject for reading and discussion from the *Christopher News Notes* will be "Serving the Poor." Once again we invite all Catholic gentlemen to attend our meeting and see what the Holy Name Society is doing for the church, the community, and our parish school. We would like our retired members to attend the meeting too, because we are in need of some new ideas on how to serve the parish community.

Support the Annual Catholic Appeal!

We are almost half way to reaching our parish goal. Many thanks to all who generously supported this important appeal. Gifts to the appeal are always welcome. If you did not yet donate, please consider making a gift. Meeting our goal of \$110,000 will qualify the parish for a "rebate" for parish needs.

The Annual Catholic Appeal enables the diocese to provide social services such as short term counseling, emergency food and financial assistance, and nursing and home health services.

Drop your gift in our regular collection and mark the envelope "Annual Catholic Appeal." (Please make checks payable to the Annual Catholic Appeal, not to OLS-SA.) We'll gladly forward your gift to the diocesan office.

Parish School News

Tectonic plate movements in the earth—can that really be fun? Well, if you're a 7th Grade student at Our Lady of Sorrows it can be! Under the able guidance of Mrs. Toni Ann Mihalik, middle school faculty, the children simulated tectonic movement in the continental plates. Now of course she embellished her student demonstrations with the use of graham crackers as the continental plates and then Fruit Rollups as the oceanic plates! Add a little whipped cream and you have one great Science lesson that will surely be remembered for a long time!



You can tell by the smiles on their faces that James Primerano and Grace Hoffman are having a great time learning science!

Our Lady of Sorrows School is seeking smiling faces to act as Substitute Teachers. Our school serves students in Grades K through Grade 8. If you enjoy working with children, we would love to meet you. Please contact the school at 587-4140. Most teachers let us know well before the date needed, so we don't usually do "early morning calls". If you have missed enjoying time with school children, consider joining our team. Call us to find out more information.

Stewardship Report	
March Revenue	
Weekly Collections (previously reported)	\$75,873
Online Giving (reported on page 3)	\$6,187
March Rent Income (St. Anthony Campus)	\$39,724
Total Income	\$121,784
Selected March Expenses	
Advertisement	\$875
Arch'l/Consultant/Acct/Realtors Fees	\$3,100
Building Maintenance Supplies	\$288
Charity	\$100
Contracted Services Cleaning of Churches & Offices	\$2,513
Grounds	\$2,868
Equipment / DP / Pest Control	\$8,957
Equipment	\$7,361
Diocese of Trenton	ψι,σσι
Health Benefits for Lay Staff	\$3,940
Disability Insurance Perm. Lay	\$432
Extra Clergy	\$2,240
Flowers /Christmas /Easter	\$200
Office Supplies / Ref Mtls / Printing	\$2,023
Household	\$4,609
Liturgical Supplies/Repairs/Missals	\$2,927
Monitor Music	\$123 \$349
Payroll for Staff	\$38,229
Religious Education	\$2,798
Repairs/Equipment/Painting/on All Sites	\$1,313
Snow Removal	\$8,430
Subsidy to for School Lay Benefits	\$4,705
Subsidy to OLS School	\$480
Utility	\$9,089
Welcome, Martha Suns / Hosp'y / Mtgs	\$663
Youth Group	\$4,676
Total	\$113,288

Please Pray for the Sick

Bernice Bates, John Carbonara, Fran Chiorello, Tom Cochran, Maria Corbett, Ryan Cromwell, Edna Dempster, Ted Dolci, Marilyn Doolittle, Bill Doran, Eileen Evans, Suzanne Figueroa, Lynda Foldetta, Constantine Foundus, Lauretta Gallagher, Keith Gerner, Margaret Graff, Lewis Gryziewicz, George Gushue, Eileen & John Haller, James Hodge, Joan Holman, Arlene Ialacci, JoAnn Jasinski, Bernadette Lecato, Richard Luciano, Joan Mainger, Robert Marino, Josephine Massei, Tom Mathews, Donna Mihalik, Larry Monte, Les Morreale, Joseph Muziani, Chervl & Tom Noon, Charlotte Nurko, Joseph O'Hara, Nicholas Palmieri, Tom Plantier, Philip Porcari, Avery Rogers, Diane Salem, Rose Salvatore, Michael Bailey Schaffer, David Smith, James Smith, William Smith, Marjorie Spalding, Liliane & Richard Springer, Janice Sprink, Dave Starling, Margaret Sterling, Josephine Terlecki, Tom Valatka

Thank You!

The student community and the School Board of Our Lady of Sorrows School thank our current sponsors, listed below, for their participation in our Scholar Patron and/or Business Partner Program. Please support them and join us in this noble and exciting work!

Monies raised through this program are used to support the formation and education of the students of the OLS School to be future leaders of our community. For additional information about the program, please call OLS School (587-4140).

American Tire & Auto Care

Bilardo's Barbershop **Brothers Pizza** County Line Tree Service, LLC **Customers Bank** Fred & Pete's Deli **Fundamentals Summer Basketball Camp Garden State Legal Services Corporation** Geico of Hamilton/Cline Enterprises, LLC Joe's Transmission Service JoJo's Tavern and Restaurant **Kusina Ni Inang Filipino Cuisine** Mamma Rosa's Inc. Mexican Mariachi Grill **Nowak and Gehan CPA PC** Quakerbridge Pharmacy Villa Romanza Ristorante Italiano Welsh Farms

Religious Education Registration

It's time to register your children for Religious Education classes for the 2017-18 school year. We look forward to seeing all of you. Please remember that certain sessions fill up quickly so early registration is highly recommended. We can more easily accommodate your preference if you register promptly. Please check the letter that we mailed with the registration forms for information on a **special early registration offer**. If you did not receive it, please call us (587-4372).

All registration forms are available at **www.ols-sa.org/religiouseducation** for your convenience. You may print the registration form and either mail it or drop it off at the parish office. Please note that if you have a Pre-K or Kindergarten student entering Religious Education classes, you may print the registration form from the website or call our office to register your child. For more information, please visit our website.

Attention all parents whose children are attending **Trenton Catholic Academy**. If your child is in 2nd, 7th, or 8th grade, please make sure that you register him or her for sacramental preparation. The registration forms are available on our website and at the TCA office.

Parish May Crowning



Please join us on Sunday, May 7, at our parish's annual May Crowning. Following the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, we will process to our Blessed Mother Shrine in front of our school. All First Communicants are invited to participate in their First Communion attire. Please let your teacher know if you plan to join us. We look forward to

seeing all First Communicants, their families, and all parishioners.

Seniors' Activities

Senior Club #1

Come join with the members of St. Anthony's Senior Club #1 on Wednesday, April 12, at 1 p.m. in the Church Hall for lunch, a short meeting, and bingo. For information, please call Jennie at 587-7765.

Senior Club #2

Senior Club #2 generally holds meetings at 1 p.m. in the Church Meeting Room on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. The next meeting will be held on April 18.

Bus trips to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City take place on the first Wednesday of most months. The next trip will be on May 3. The bus leaves the OLS parking lot at 9:30 a.m. Anyone age 21 or over is invited. Cost is \$35 and you will get \$25 in casino credit. If interested, please call Doreen Napoleon (706-6169).

New members are welcome to join our clubs.

OLS PTA Seeking Donations

The Our Lady of Sorrows PTA needs your support. We are hosting our annual *Knight to Remember* auction on October 20 at the Stone Terrace in Hamilton. Last year our auction was very successful, raising more than \$18,000 to support our school. We hope that you will join us in supporting us by donating NEW ITEMS for our event. If you have any gifts you are not able to use or return, we are happy to take them for our auction. If you have a donation, please contact us to arrange for pick-up or drop off at the OLS School Office by September 15, 2017. On behalf of the students at Our Lady of Sorrows, thank you very much for your support. Please feel free to contact me (Debbie Kisselman—olspta@gmail.com; 439-2667) if I can be of assistance.

Mark Your Calendar



Our Summer Bible Camp will be held July 31 – August 4. Registration is now open. If you are interested, please call our office (587-4372) for details. Thanks.

Parish Organizations, Please Note

Please notify the parish office when your organization or ministry changes leadership. It is important for us to know the correct person to contact regarding 2017-2018 facility scheduling.

Please call or email Denise (587-4372; dmikics@olssa.org) with the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the head of your group and that person's alternate. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Eucharistic Adoration

Our faith teaches us that Jesus remains present in his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, in the Sacrament that is reserved in the tabernacle.

Thursdays Are Days of Solemn Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament will be placed upon the altar following the 7 a.m. Mass until Reposition at 6 p.m. All are invited to answer the Lord's call...He wants us give Him the gift of our time. He wants us to come to Him bringing our needs, anxieties, joys, and thanks.

Our Lady of Sorrows Church also is open during our office hours. Why not stop for even a brief moment to rejoice in the Lord's Presence?

OLS-SA Marríage Mínístry Míssion Statement



To serve our parish community and celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage, supporting each other through worship, liturgy and

marriage enrichment. To promote a Christ centric marriage and above all we will strengthen marriage for the couple, family and community.

Speaking of Marriage-----

Do you say Grace together before meals?

Faith in Our Future

Lord Jesus Christ, Word of the Father, we turn to you. Watch over our plans. Enliven our service to the Church. Sustain our labors. Guide our steps in search of the best ways to proclaim your Gospel. Our poverty is great. We do not place trust in ourselves but only in you. Encourage us, reassure us, give us your blessing. You, who with the Holy Spirit, live and reign in us and in your Church forever and ever. Amen.



For more information visit www.GiveBloodNJ.org





You're Invited

Friday, April 14; 5–8 PM Join us for our famous fish fry, served buffet style. All the delicious battered fish you can eat. Our bar will be open as well. \$18 per person. Call 585-5200.

215 Uncle Petes Rd, Hamilton, NJ 08691

Summer Camp at OLS

For Kids in Kindergarten to 6th Grade

3-Day Camp – Week of June 14-16 \$150 Session 1 – Week of June 19-23 \$250 Session 2 – Week of June 23-30 \$250

All Sessions ~ 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. There is no before or after care

24 Children maximum for each session. All air conditioned rooms! Sign up now to make sure your child doesn't miss out on the fun with Mrs. Kim Bowers and Ms. Francesca Gioe!

Here's a sample of what we will be exploring within the three weeks:
Pie Face Day Kids in the Kitchen Camp Fire Day Castles & Dragons
Year of the Rooster (including Chinese lunch) Cartooning Pokemon and Disney
Outer Space How does Your Garden Grow? Saddle Up for a Hoedown
Make a Whole Lot of Noise! Polka Dot Day Puppet Shows Pizza Day

Sounds great! Send me the registration form. A \$100 deposit will be needed to secure your child's place when yo return the completed registration form. Return this slip to the art room in OLS School or to the parish office, and a registration form will be sent to you.					
Name/s & Grade/s of Camper/s:					
Name and Address of Parent/Guardian:					
Phone # & Email Address:					
I am interested in: 3-Day Camp Session 1 Session 2					

For more information, call OLS School (587-4140) or email kbowers@olsschool.us

An Important Message from Msgr. Gervasio and the Parish School Board

April 2, 2017

Dear Parishioners.

In one of his homilies Pope Francis offered this admonition: "Don't be afraid of the renewal of structures! The Church has always been attentive to this...it always allows itself to be renewed according to places, times, and persons. Don't be afraid of this!"

I have turned to these words over the past months as I have worked with our parish trustees, our school board, and an Early Childhood Education Consultant to assess the direction of our elementary school, Pre-K, and Day Care Center. I'd like to share the fruits of this discernment.

Since its establishment over twenty years ago, our PreK (3- & 4-year-old program) has operated under parish auspices but independently of our elementary school. It has certainly functioned under civil codes but not under the Diocesan Department of Catholic Education. Ours is the only PreK in the diocese not under diocesan aegis.

After considerable study, our parish trustees and school board have unanimously concluded that effective June 30, 2017, the PreK will move from "Mary's Haven" to the main school building. At the same time, the Daycare Center (Infant and Toddler Care) would cease operations. The PreK will become an integral part of Our Lady of Sorrows School under the direction of pastor and principal. This move will enable our PreK to:

- Function according to the curriculum and guidelines followed by all PreK programs recognized by the Diocese of Trenton Department of Catholic Education;
- Introduce and prepare children for elementary school while respectful of their developmental needs;
- Afford children a wider range of programs and activities; and
- Allow for more responsible use of parish resources.

Work to accommodate the PreK program in the school will soon begin. Our aim is, of course, to provide a quality education at reasonable cost in a setting that is safe and attractive.

This move impacts the Day Care Program in ways that do not make its continuance viable. Ongoing maintenance of "Mary's Haven," where both programs are currently housed, would place significant stress on parish resources once the PreK moves into the school. It is also difficult to justify the use of such a large building for a small program. Moreover, the growth of Day Care Centers in our area diminishes the need for the parish to subsidize a Day Care Program when it is already devoting a substantial share of its revenue to its elementary school. Our trustees and school board, with the support of the Diocese, has determined that the parish must now focus on the advancement of a PreK-8 parochial school.

This decision has been made not without much difficulty but we firmly believe these changes are in the best interest of the parish and its mission to support Catholic Education.

Our Lady of Sorrows—Saint Anthony Parish

3816 East State Street Extension

Hamilton, New Jersey 08619

4 April 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians:

It is a pleasure for me to share with you the good news that Maureen Tuohy will be appointed Vice Principal of Our Lady of Sorrows School effective July 1, 2017.

Mrs. Tuohy is no stranger to our school. She has been a member of our faculty since 2002 teaching both Grade 2 and Grade 7. As Vice Principal Mrs. Tuohy will work with Mr. Costantino in advancing the mission of our school and will be



responsible to the pastor and principal for specific facets of our educational program. Initially, her work will be overseeing the transition of our PreK into our school program. She will retain her teaching position while serving as Vice Principal.

Mrs. Tuohy brings to this position the qualities of mind and heart that will strengthen the spiritual and academic formation of our students. Her credentials include a Master of Arts degree in Teaching from the College of New Jersey as well as New Jersey Expedited Certification for Educational Leadership, a Supervisory Certificate and Principal Certificate.

Over the past years, our school has benefitted from Mrs. Tuohy's leadership as chair and/or co-chair of various committees: Math Professional Learning Community, AdvancEd Reaccreditation, Terra Nova, and Science Fair. Mrs. Tuohy is also a member of other committees and educational associations. It was certainly understandable when her colleagues named her "Teacher of the Year" in 2007.

I have every confidence that this appointment signals a great future for our school. We shall indeed benefit from a highly focused educational leader who possesses a strong commitment to Catholic education.

Please join me in congratulating Mrs. Tuohy and thanking her for her generous acceptance of this leadership role!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Thing. Thomas Gervaier

Rev. Msgr. Thomas N. Gervasio Pastor

AN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION FOR ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES



Sponsored by the OLS-SA Marriage Ministry Team

APRIL 28, 2017 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Sorrows Church 3816 E State St Extension, Hamilton

PRAYING THE EUCHARIST AS A COUPLE

This special evening will be led by **Fr. James Grogan, Sr.**, Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Moorestown.

Father Grogan combines readings and lecture with musical interludes "to invite couples to reach a deeper relationship with Jesus through recognizing that they have the opportunity to pray differently as a couple."

Light refreshments will follow.

To register, complete the form below and place it in an envelope marked **Evening of Recollection**. Drop it in the collection basket; drop it off at the parish office; mail it to



OLS-SA Marriage Ministry Team at the address above; or e-mail your name, and phone number to dohrenwe@optonline.net by **April 25**.

For more information, call Kevin or Barbara Dohrenwend (587-0759).

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May 10th

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TUESDAY

May 9th

Love of Others in the context of a Mass

THURSDAY

May 11th

Adoration and Healing
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Service

Childcare is available for all evenings of the Parish Mission.

Visit www.StGregorytheGreatChurch.org/Mission to register for childcare.

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On Wednesday evening, May 10, Our Lady of Sorrows – St. Anthony Parish is responsible for providing support at St. Gregory the Great Church.





Please call Our Lady of Sorrows – St. Anthony's Parish Office (587-4372) and volunteer for one of the following roles:

Greeters (12): To welcome attendees and hand out mission materials (e.g., confession aids) for the evening.

Ushers (12): To seat attendees, especially the handicapped and direct people to confessionals/confession stations.

Child Care (2): To care for attendees' children who are too young to participate. Must be Virtuscertified, background-checked, or the parent of an attending child.

Media Sales (8): To staff tables where media will be sold, and secure receipts and cover tables at the end of the night.

Traffic / Parking Attendants (8): To help arriving participants, especially the handicapped, to find appropriate parking, and to point out the handicapped entrances.

Orientation & training will be provided at a Volunteer Meeting at St. Greg's on April 26, at 7:00 p.m.



Home Health Nursing Program:

Our Lenten Work of Mercy

While there are people in need all over the world, we sometimes forget those in our own community who need help. Recognizing this, Monsignor Gervasio and the parish's Social Justice Committee have brought Our Lenten Work of Mercy closer to home this year. Mount Carmel Guild, a Catholic Social Service agency of the Diocese of Trenton, serves Mercer County residents through its Emergency Assistance and Home Health Nursing programs. Almost a century old, Mount Carmel Guild has been "seeing Christ in others" since its founding in 1920 by Msgr Thomas J Walsh.

Since Our Lady of Sorrows – St. Anthony Parish donates food year-round to the Guild's Emergency Assistance program, our Lenten Work of Mercy will focus on Home Health Nursing.



There's probably nothing more dignified than the ability to remain in your home as you age—to age gracefully; to keep your independence, your history, your world. But as medical needs increase this isn't always possible.

Home Health Nursing program's primary goal is to provide longterm home-based nursing care to the most medically needy and economically disadvantaged senior citizens of Mercer County those whose Medicare insurance has been exhausted and who have no alternative care. Patients are usually homebound with geriatric diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, lung and heart

disease, stroke, cancer, neuromuscular disorders, and arthritis. Most are ambulatory with canes or walkers; some use wheelchairs. The help provided by program staff allows them to stay in the

comfortable surroundings of their own homes, preventing premature placement in institutions. Among other assistance and services rendered, the nurses:

- Pre-fill insulin syringes
- Pre-pour medications
- · Monitor vital signs and blood sugars
- Conduct pacemaker checks
- Give injections
- Wound care
- Coumadin monitoring



Staff nurses provide more to their patients than just skilled medical care. They provide comfort and companionship to those who are lonely and make referrals to other services such as Meals on Wheels, transportation to and from medical appointments, and full time home health assistance, if needed. They also provide emergency food packages from the Guild's Emergency Assistance program for anyone who is short of food and on a fixed income.

The nursing staff makes hundreds of home visits each year, providing more than 2,000 hours of assistance. Most importantly, the Guild's Home Health Nursing Staff serves older patients with the kindness and compassion that everyone deserves.

Give up anything you want for Lent—candy, smoking, movies, dining out—then each week, calculate how much money you saved and bring it to church to put in one of the Lenten Work of Mercy cans at the exits. And pray for the program staff and those they serve.



Hosted by the Our Lady of Sorrows PTA

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