

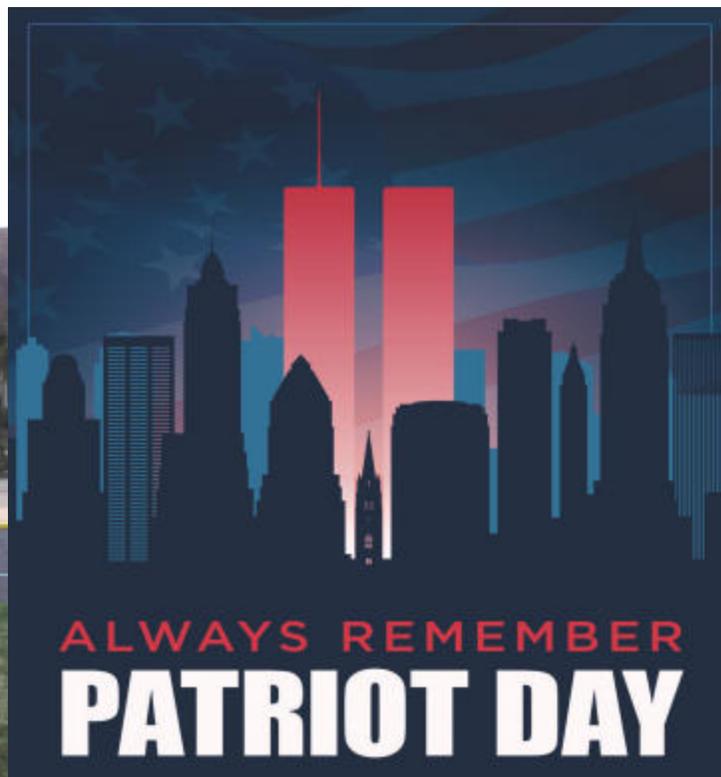
# OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

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## Our Mission

Called by our baptism and nourished by the Eucharist, the parishioners of Our Lady Mother of the Church, acknowledge our mission to teach, share and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we create a welcoming environment, enthusiastically gather and worship to praise God, and strive to imitate the life of Jesus as we reach out beyond our own faith community.



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ SEPTEMBER 12, 2021**

**Fr. Sean Manson, *Pastor***

**Fr. Siffredus Rwechungura,**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Stan Fedison, *Deacon***

### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Closed Friday Until After Labor  
Day

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### Weekdays

Monday-Friday 8:30am

### Weekends

Saturday 5:30pm &

8:00 pm (in classroom)

Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 6:00 pm

### Holy Days

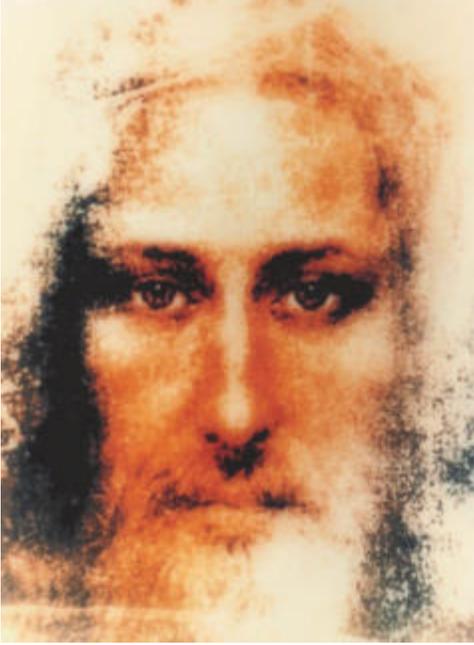
See bulletin for schedule of Masses

### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters



This is the 21st anniversary of the terror attacks against our country.

On September 11th, 2001, 2997 people were killed when four commercial airliners were hijacked by terrorists and flown into the Twin Towers in lower Manhattan, the Pentagon in Washington DC, and a field in Shanksville PA.

More than 6000 others were injured.

265 people died on the four planes, 2,606 in the World Trade Center and in the surrounding area, and 125 died at the Pentagon. The attacks remain the deadliest terror attacks in world history.

Most of those who perished were civilians; but 344 firefighters and 72 cops died trying to help them. 55 military personnel also died in the Pentagon.

We will not forget them. We will not forget their grieving families and friends.

9/11 witnessed the worst and the best of humanity.

While unspeakable evil was perpetrated -unprovoked- against innocent people, we also witnessed what is noble and true in the human soul: acts of kindness, compassion, care, and solidarity, prayer.

In the Gospel we hear at Mass today, Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"

Another way to phrase this, would be to ask "Where is God in all of this?"

Jesus Christ himself answers this: he is the presence of God in our suffering, our want, our need.

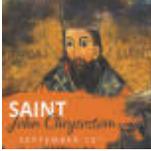
Jesus Christ has broken the power of evil and of death itself.

Jesus Christ is a very specific Word of God, And Jesus Christ is a very specific Word from God.

May this Word, which is the presence of the Love of God in the face of evil, be that which sustains us today.

Fr. Sean

# TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>Saturday</b>		<b>September 11</b> <i>Patriot Day</i> Jack D'Ambrosi	
5:30 pm <b>Sunday</b>		<b>September 12</b> <i>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day</i> Rosann Borrelli	
8:30 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm		Robert Hartmann People of the Parish	
<b>Monday</b>		<b>September 13</b> <i>St. John Chrysostom</i> Frank P. Monaghan	
8:30 am <b>Tuesday</b>		<b>September 14</b> <i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i> Charlie DeBrock	
8:30 am <b>Wednesday</b>		<b>September 15</b> <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> Connie Trombetta	
8:30 am <b>Thursday</b>		<b>September 16</b> <i>Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian</i> Special Intention	
8:30 am <b>Friday</b>		<b>September 17</b> <i>St. Robert Bellarmine</i> Lenore & Harry Howard	
8:30 am <b>Saturday</b>		<b>September 18</b> Barbara J. Malone	
5:30 pm <b>Sunday</b>		<b>September 19</b> <i>Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday</i> Maria Tarabokia	
8:30 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm		Jack Stephens Vincent Papaleo	

*For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.”  
Ecclesiastes 3:11*

**“A time to be healed”**

**Parish sick list:** Marie Barrett, Mr. & Mrs. Bischoff, Rev. Bob Connor, Arlene Desposito, Ethel Dubrowski, Ed Evans, Deacon Stan Fedison, Carol Franco, Trevor Giesberg, Tom Harrington, Jennifer Hartmann, Brad Jones, Joachim Jung, Vivienne Knopp, Ivy LaRegina, Genna Lepore, Julia Geraghty, Rosemary Levin, Robert Libonati, Jessica Livingstone, James Murphy, Terry Racanelli, James Ranazzo, Bill Reynaldos, Carol Schmidt, Tara Shankman, Bro. Kevin Smith, Bob Staab, Tom Woodbour, Eric Vanderleif and Bryce Werner

**“A time to mourn”**

**Deceased of the Parish:** Natale Lucarello

**“A time for war and a time for peace”**

Tyler Aiello, Ryan Brady, Lt. Joseph Ryan and Seamus Ryan

*Amen.*

There will be a memorial service for the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks at 9:00 am in front of the Woodcliff Lake Fire House on Saturday, September 11. All are welcome.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**My Parish, My Family, My Responsibility**

**“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” Mark 8:34**

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. “Taking up my cross” means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it’s convenient for me.

Receipts From Last Week.....	\$4,108.00
Assessment Collection.....	\$ 517.00
Maintenance.....	\$ 39.50
Parish Giving.....	\$2,956.00



**Septemberfest**  
**Friday, September 24 ~ 6:00 pm**  
**Cocktail Hour Al Fresco**  
**Dinner and Dancing to Follow**  
**Tickets Now On Sale**  
**After All Weekend Masses**  
**And In The Parish Office**  
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# FAITH FORMATION



## Faith Formation News



### *Virgin most sorrowful, pray for us.*

Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows became a standard devotion in the Church around the 14th century. It was revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373) that devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary's Seven Sorrows would bring graces. The devotion consists in praying seven Hail Mary's while meditating on the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

#### **The Seven Sorrows of Mary:**

1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)
2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-21)
3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days (Luke 2:41-50)
4. The Carrying of the Cross (John 19:17)
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus (John 19:18-30)
6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross (John 19:39-40)
7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb (John 19:39-42)

Mary, in a unique way, willingly suffered alongside her Divine Son as he gave his life to save the world, and she felt the bitterness of his passion as only a mother can. This devotion is especially remembered during September, the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

#### **Is God Calling You to be a Catechist?**

We need YOU! Have you thought about answering God's call? "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Matt 28:19 As a catechist, you are responding to a call to share the gift of faith with others, even as you deepen your own faith. This call may have reached you through someone you know, your pastor, or the director of your parish's religious education program. But know that this calling ultimately comes from God whose Holy Spirit inspires and guides you. On Catechetical Sunday, September 19, 2021, we will celebrate and pray for the Church's mission to teach the Gospel to all people. This year's theme is "**Say the Word and My Soul Shall Be Healed.**" Requirements to be a Catechist: Availability on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 – 5 PM, Protecting God's Children certification if over 18 years of age, and a love of sharing your faith with children! If interested, please email [faithformationolmc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationolmc@gmail.com) for information.

## Register Now For 2021-2022 Faith Formation

We look forward to working with you in helping you child grow in the faith. There is one fee (\$215) and one form per family.

- **Faith Formation: Grades 1 thru 6** on Wednesdays after school, 3:45-5:00pm, pending Covid guidelines. If you are registering for grade 1, or for the first time in the program, please provide a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate.
- **If you know someone entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade**, please ask them to email [faithformationolmc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationolmc@gmail.com). You are welcome to email any questions you may have. Thank you for your sharing this information.
- **Youth JAM (Youth Jesus and Mary) Grades 7 and 8.** This program meets the second Sunday each month from 4:30pm to 7:00pm, beginning late September 2021
- **Confirmation Grade 9.** This program meets the second Sunday each month, beginning with 10:30 am Mass followed by class ending at 12:30pm.
- **Please email:** [faithformationolmc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationolmc@gmail.com) if you are new to the parish, have any questions or would like to volunteer as a Catechist.
- **The Faith Formation Registration Form** is at this link: <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-5431443/> Email [faithformationolmc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationolmc@gmail.com) to request for this to be sent directly to you.

## Important Dates for Faith Formation

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|----------------------|--|
| <b>Sun., Sept 14</b> | <b>4:00 pm and 7:30 pm</b><br>Catechist Orientation  |
| <b>Sun., Sept 19</b> | Catechetical Sunday- the theme this year is " <b>Say the Word and My Soul Shall Be Healed.</b> " |
| <b>Wed., Sept 29</b> | 3:45 pm – 5:00 pm, Faith Formation<br>Class Grades 1-6, Gather in Church                         |

## Question of the Week? Win a Gift Card to Dairy Queen

This week's question: **How many sorrows of Mary are there from the Bible?** Last week's answer: The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on Sept. 15 commemorates Our Lady's suffering at the foot of the Cross. To enter this week's raffle, email your answer to [faithformationolmc@gmail.com](mailto:faithformationolmc@gmail.com) by 3pm on Wednesday. **All correct answers will be entered in a raffle for a gift card to Dairy Queen.**



**Pope Francis says:** "This is the medicine: fewer useless words and more of the Word of God. Let us hear the words of the Gospel addressed to us: 'Ephphatha, be opened!' Jesus, I want to open myself to your Word, open myself to listen. Heal my heart." September 5, 2021

# SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

## St. Jude Walk/Run-Northern NJ September 25, 2021

One of our parishioners, Thomas Western, will be walking. If you would like to donate you can do that on the St. Jude Walk/Run Northern NJ website and put his team name in, Western Warriors, and you can then donate there. He will be starting at his house, 813 Carter Lane, Paramus, at 9:00 am if you would like to walk with his team. He will be walking 25 miles. You can join him at the beginning or anytime during the day. Walk as long or short as you would like. Refreshments will be available at his home. Due to the ever-changing COVID-19 landscape and the safety of our participants and patient families, we've made the difficult decision to host all St. Jude Walk/Run events VIRTUALLY. Join us as we rally together in neighborhoods (or on treadmills) nationwide for a fun 5K that includes an interactive St. Jude campus experience.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed  
Sacrament for the month of September  
In memory of



**Jack D'Ambrosi**

Requested by Karen & Emily D'Ambrosi  
& Jackie Scales

## BEREAVEMENT Ministry

My name is Gina Franco and I have started a grief group here at OLMC. Through the loss of my amazing daughter, Dominique, who was only 21 when she passed unexpectedly on 2/16/19, I have struggled to find my way. I have most recently lost my mother on 3/14/21, also unexpectedly and I am grateful for all the people who have helped in holding me up. Thanks to the many who have helped me with much love and support, I am beginning a new chapter. I have created a Facebook Page, Grief Warriors, that gives people a safe, sacred space and now am looking forward to give people here at OLMC a place to share their stories, give HOPE and FAITH in healing together. I am just a mom and a daughter who is walking the grief walk and want to help those of you to find your way back to **LIVING YOUR BEST LIFE. We will next meet on September 13th. In October we will meet on the 4th.** Hope to see you in celebrating all the love our loved one continues to give us.



Thank you to all who responded by signing up to help feed the hungry. Your great outpouring of generosity and support to help feed the hungry at St. John's Soup Kitchen has been a real witness for how you truly live the Corporal Works of Mercy. Our next tentative date for 2021 is Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Pat Keenaghan [patkeenaghan@yahoo.com](mailto:patkeenaghan@yahoo.com) to donate or help bake. *"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in."* Matthew 25:35

## St. Andrew Charismatic Prayer Group

On Monday, September 13, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Parish Center's Multipurpose Room. Everyone is welcome to the re-opening of St. Andrew's Charismatic Prayer Meeting. Through the Power and Presence of the Holy Spirit, we grow and deepen our personal relationship with Jesus Christ. At our weekly meetings, we seek Mary's intercession as we pray the Rosary, worship Jesus through prayer and song, reflect and share scripture and conclude with intercessory prayer.

On Monday, September 25, we welcome Fr. Phil La-tronico from the Community of God's Love in Rutherford as the first of our monthly guest speakers. He will speak about Prayer Meetings: Fact or Fiction-Experience of Wonder & How to Find the Holy Spirit in Daily Life.



## CROP Walk October 17

This year will mark the 48<sup>th</sup> year congregations in our area will be participating in the CROP Walk for Hunger on Sunday, October 17. Our parishioners have been very generous in the past. If you would like to help sign up walkers and collect donations after the masses, please feel free to contact John Frey who needs assistance at 201.391.1460 or email [jfrey4@aol.com](mailto:jfrey4@aol.com). We will begin to recruit walkers and donors after the masses in early September. Thank you.

## Third Saturday Mass for Recovery and Healing

All are welcome to Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter for the Third Saturday Recovery and Healing Mass on Saturday, September 18 at 12:00 pm. This special Mass speaks to those affected by the use and abuse of drugs and/or alcohol and for those who love them.



Yes! It is that time again. Fellowship Coffee starts again in September after the 10:30 am Mass. The new dates are on the board next to the kitchen window.

Please sign up for a Sunday! This is a great way to meet your fellow parishioners and spend some time with your faith community.



## Patriot Day

Three months after the September 11, 2001, attack on the United States, President George W. Bush signed into law a bill designating September 11 as Patriot Day. Not to be confused with Patriots' Day, an April holiday in some New England states celebrating the first shots fired at Lexington and Concord, Patriot Day honors the nearly three thousand people who lost their lives on the morning of September 11, 2001. Flags are flown at half-staff throughout the country, and a moment of silence is observed at 8:46 am Eastern time, the minute the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York. While Memorial Day and similar state observances honor those who have given their lives in service to their country, Patriot Day is unique in that it honors first responders as well as the many civilians who died on that day.

## Our Lady Mother of the Church Prayers for Vocations

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 12, 2021

For all those chosen to take up their cross in union with Christ as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life, so that others might have eternal life.



## Family Promise Update

Please consider the following ways to volunteer and/or support Family Promise **right now**:

- **The Walk-in Dinner Program** in Hackensack is meeting food insecurity needs in the county every day. Several of our hosts and/or supports were already involved and several have joined the effort during the last 16 months. Thank you! We have several open dates from August through December 2021 and are currently feeding 130-150 people per night. We also have opportunities for individuals to help pack up and distribute meals. Please let me know if you'd like more information.
- We are preparing a list of most needed resources for our families. We are currently looking for a **therapist specializing in adolescents. Please contact: mheller@bergenfamilypromise.org.** (Also: lawyer, mover, ESL tutor).
- **The Gala** will be in person this year on October 14th at Indian Trail Club in Franklin Lakes. I would like to put a table together representing Our Lady Mother of the Church. If you would like to attend, please let me know. It's always a wonderful night and a great way to support Family Promise.
- If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Geraldine Brennan by e-mail [gbrennan830@yahoo.com](mailto:gbrennan830@yahoo.com)

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