



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

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MAY 29, 2022 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Pastor

Rev. John P. Donovan

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:15pm

Sunday:

8:30am & 11:00am

Daily Mass (Chapel)

Monday - Wednesday

7:30am

Saturday 9:00am

Reconciliation

4:00pm-4:45pm

Rosary

Monday - Wednesday:

7:00am

Saturday: 8:30am

Adoration

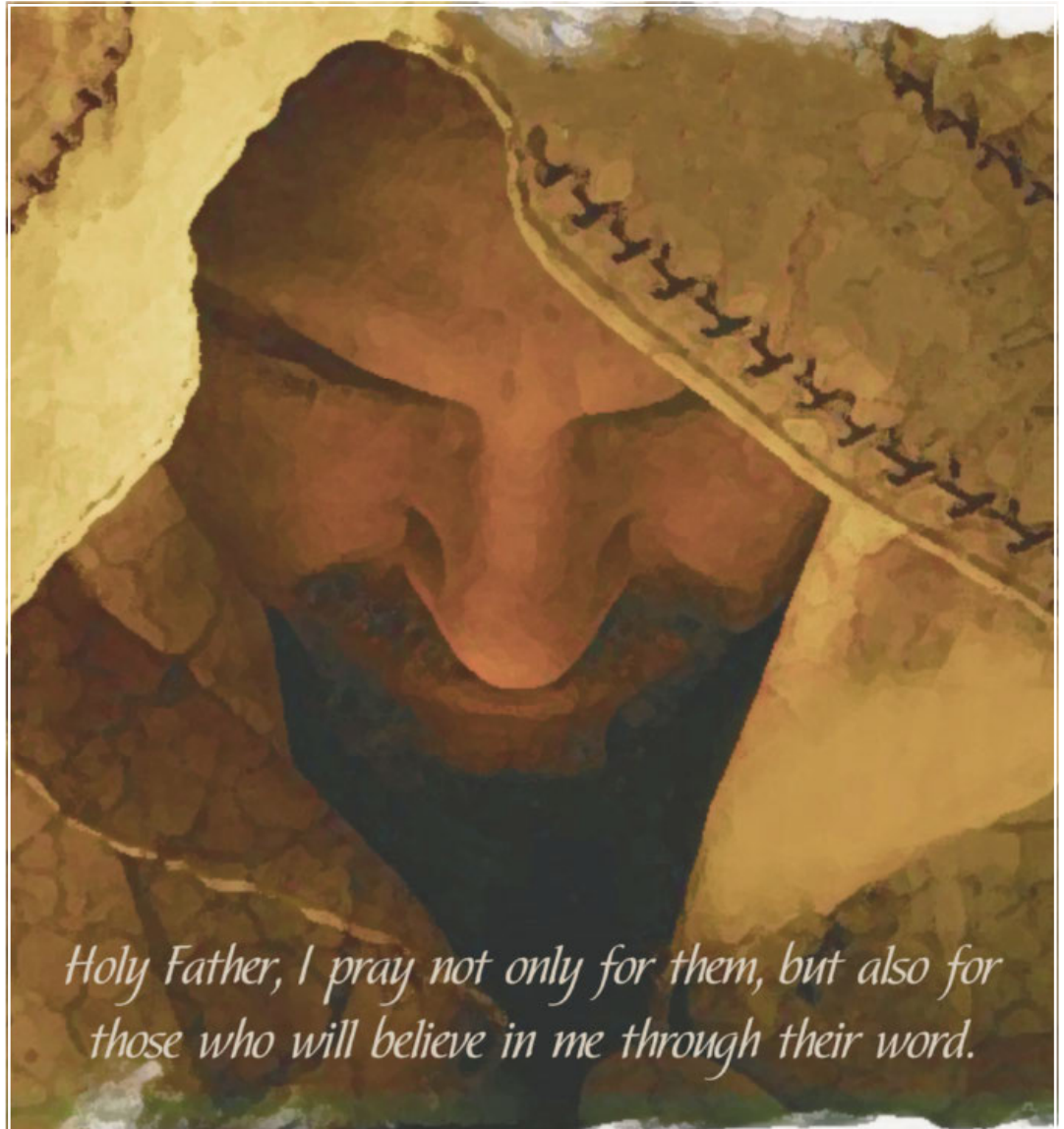
Wednesdays:

8:00am-9:00am

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:

8am-3pm



*Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for
those who will believe in me through their word.*



We all have our ideas of who God is. We have to remember, however, that our ideas of God often do not capture who God really is. God is a wonderful mystery whose identity is inexhaustible. This makes life an exciting journey in search of belief, love, glory, and unity. Displaying all of the tenderness of a real love story, we hear from Jesus that God wants nothing more than for the world to believe. The same depth of affection given to Jesus, God the Father desires to share with us. Receiving this love gives the believer an even greater understanding of what gives us purpose and meaning. With God's unconditional love as our anchor, we can endure the greatest of hardships knowing that we carry the hope of glory within us. Sharing in the same incredible eternal destiny and glory that God gave His Son, we can all be one just as Jesus and the Father are one. Why is understanding all of this important? Because given the myriad choices of what can possibly define us, we now have the primordial truth of who we are given to us by God. We know, beyond doubt, where to look for true happiness and where our lives will end.

Pastor's Desk

Announcement

Last week's announcement came as a surprise to us ALL! To be clear this is what was said:

Bishop Lucia is pleased to announce that after much consultation and discussion with both clergy and lay leadership of the parishes in Western Broome, seven parishes will form a new Pastoral Care Area (PCA) effective July 1, 2022.

The PCA will now be comprised of Our Lady of Good Counsel, St. Ambrose, St. Anthony, St. Joseph, Endicott, Church of the Holy Family, Endwell, Our Lady of the Rosary, Maine, and Our Lady of Sorrows, Vestal.

Father Clarence Rumble remains pastor of Church of the Holy Family, Endwell and Most Holy Rosary, Maine, as linked parishes.

Father Ken Kirkman remains pastor of the Parish of St. Anthony and St. Joseph, Endicott and is appointed pastor of St. Ambrose, Endicott, as linked parishes Our Lady of Good Counsel, Endicott and Our Lady of Sorrows, Vestal, will share a pastor, Father Rick Prior.

This new configuration is to facilitate even greater collaboration among parishes and further the mission of the Church.

Father Donovan is assigned Pastor of Sacred Heart Cicero.

Father Prior is a native son of Our Lady of Sorrows, graduated from Vestal in 1981. He was ordained in 2001. I am certain you will learn the more important details when he arrives and do not doubt he will be welcomed as warmly I was in 2017!

Pentecost

Next Sunday is Pentecost, be sure to wear your red! Ordinary time resumes with the 10th week. Two men, Vincent Gennett and Henry Kacyvenski have prepared for months and will be confirmed at the 11:00 am Mass.

Newsletter

We had prepared a Newsletter to be sent out this week. However, as now the news is completely different, it is being revised and will be sent out next week, with summer plans and details. At Easter I announced a parish meeting for some time in June; that will not be taking place. *Father Donovan*

Parish News

Parish Mailing Address

We have been notified by the Post Office that going forward, if items sent to us do not contain our proper mailing address, they will be returned to sender. When mailing items to OLS be sure to use this address: Our Lady of Sorrows, PO Box 326, Vestal, NY 13851-0326. If mailed to 801 Main Street - it will be returned. This is being implemented for all customers who use a PO Box, not just Our Lady of Sorrows.

*Congratulations
Father Laurence Lord*



*on the 58th Anniversary of your
Ordination to the Priesthood
on May 16th!*

**Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th, Daily Mass will be at 9:00am & the Parish Office will be closed.
Have a safe & happy Memorial Day!**

**Please Welcome to Our Catholic Faith
through the Sacrament of Baptism:**

Giovanni Michael Pittari

*Let us pray that in the years to come,
the gift of faith may grow in this child.
Let us pray also for his family,
may they guide and
help him know and
live the gift he has received.*



Pastoral Care Corner

As we think of Memorial Day's past, share those memories of what Memorial Day used to be and how you remember celebrating it. In our house it was called "Decoration Day" signifying the decorating of the graves for the summer. Honoring those who have gone before us and remembering the stories of their lives help keep those memories alive for the next generation. Share your stories and keep those memories alive. Happy Memorial Day





Bulletin Book Club

Living Joy
by Chris Stefanick



The past few weeks in the bulletin we have been doing a mini-book club for our Easter gift, *Living Joy*. This is an excellent opportunity for contemplation, journaling and prayer... *all to help you rediscover and live joy every day.* If you prefer in-person, we also have a book club that meets in the cafe Tuesdays at 11am-12pm.

Introduction: Rule 4: Have Fun

"A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones." - Proverbs 17:22

Journal Questions


- When did you start to lose the sense of "fun" you had as a child?
- What's the most fun you ever had?
- Look over your weekly schedule. Is it all work and commitments? Do you have time for spontaneity?
- Who helps you have fun? Who keeps you from taking yourself too seriously?
- Who built you up by "wasting" time with you as you grew up? Who do you need to "waste" time with?

Challenge

- Be silly! (Try telling a stupid joke.)
- Do some quality fun with intentionality and by that, I mean, make sure the goal is FUN. (if it's not, you might find yourself way too stressed out after that round of golf or hour fishing!) It could be a favorite hobby or favorite book - but it's gotta be something with no practical or work-related utility.
- Find a way to "waste time" having fun with people you love.

Prayer

- Prayerfully reflect on the following: *"Don't forget fun is very serious business, you need it, to be joyful."*

 *Take it to Prayer: Place the things that weigh heaviest on your heart aside and ask God to help you find light and hope even in the midst of stress.*

Our Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

cereal, Hamburger Helper, sloppy joe mix, stuffing, mustard, paper towels, tissues

Thank you to all who help those in need in our Vestal community.



Friday, June 3,

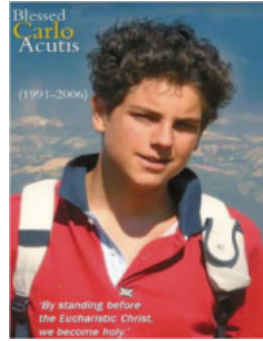
9am – 5:30pm

Bag Sale: Saturday, June 4

9am – 12pm. AOH Hall

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Prayers Needed

Blessed Carlo Acutis, was an Italian teenager who lived and offered his death for love of Jesus, wishing to waste not "even a minute of it doing things that wouldn't please God". His Cause is now open but in order for him to be declared a saint he needs a miracle to be worked through his intercession. A prayer campaign has begun for Jimmer

Szatkowski, a man from the Syracuse area, who is suffering from ALS a debilitating disease for which there is no cure. We are asking for your prayers for a complete healing of Jimmer through Blessed Carlo Acutis' intercession. We are excited to be a part of this faith process as we beg God for a miracle for Jimmer and at the same time pray that Blessed Carlo will be named among the saints in heaven.

Here is what you can do: use the official prayer to pray a novena for Jimmer's complete recovery. Pray daily for 9 days in May or June. To download a copy of the novena prayer visit: <https://stmarysowego.com/bl-carlo-acutis>.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained

At a parish council meeting, our pastor mentioned the need for deacons. It is something I am considering. How do I know if I have a vocation? What steps should I take next?

Any and all gifts that the Holy Spirit gives to the church are for the good of the community. As members of the Body of Christ, what one member does affects all. What the body does also affects each member. A vocation or call to ministry is tested and verified by the church. Through prayer, instruction, and service, a vocation is tested, and then acknowledged by the official call to orders or to service.

If you are considering becoming a deacon, the first step would be to talk to your pastor. He will be able to give you more specific information on the program in your diocese, what is expected of you, and how you apply. You might also begin to see a spiritual director, someone who can help you with your faith journey and vocation discernment. They do so by focusing on prayer, your relationship with God, and spiritual practices. Finally, you'll need to see the diocesan vocation director in charge of deacons to apply. Best wishes!



Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary!

JOHN & SHARON DONLIN



Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Pentecost Youth Mass

Sunday, June 5th
at 8:30am

Students of all ages who would like to be involved as:

Readers,
Hospitality Helpers,
and
Gift Bearers,

please contact
Kelly Soprano:
ksoprano@olsvestal.org



**Celebrate the Birthday of the Church
with birthday games & treats
following the 8:30am Youth Mass!**



Peace Camp

July 18 - 21, 5:30 to 8pm

Online registration form at olsvestal.org.
Questions? Call Dempseys 607-748-3221

Totus Tuus ~ Totally Yours

Grades 1-6 July 11-15, 9am-3pm	Grades 7-12 July 10-14, 7-9pm	Register online: olsvestal.org
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“Totus Tuus was an engaging, faith-filled week for our children. We witnessed their faith and knowledge of Christ grow over the course of the week. Families are still talking about how wonderful of an experience it was a month later!”

-Fr. Christopher Celentano, Pastor
St. Rose of Lima, North Syracuse



St. Joan of Arc (1412 – 1431) has had her story told throughout history through many books, movies and plays. She was born in the village of Domrémy, near the province of Lorraine, to a French peasant family. At a young age, she began to experience visions and voices, which were later identified to be of St. Michael, St. Catherine of Alexandria, and St. Margaret of Antioch. At the age of 13, all three saints told her that she was to drive the English from French territory, and that she must bring the Dauphin to Reims for his coronation. Trusting in God, she did as she was told.

During the Hundred Years War, St. Joan of Arc led French troops against the English and recaptured the cities of Orléans and Troyes. Captured near Compiegne the following year, she was sold to the English and placed on trial for heresy and witchcraft, eventually being found guilty and burned at the stake in Rouen.

St. Joan of Arc was canonized by Pope Benedict XV on May 16, 1920, and is the patron saint of military members.

St. Joan of Arc, pray for us!

Weekly Prayer

Readings for the Week of May 29, 2022

Sun	5/29	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 John 17:20-26
Mon	5/30	First Reading Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8 John 16:29-33
Tues	5/31	First Reading Gospel	Zephaniah 3:14-18a John 17:11b-19
Wed	6/1	First Reading Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38 John 17:11b-19
Thurs	6/2	First Reading Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 22:30, 23:6-11 John 17:20-26
Fri	6/3	First Reading Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21 John 21:15-19
Sat	6/4	First Readings Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31 John 21:20-25
Sun	6/5	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23



Observances for the Week

Sunday:	7th Sunday of Easter; St. Paul VI
Monday:	Memorial Day
Tuesday:	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday:	St. Justin
Thursday:	Sts. Marcellinus & Peter
Friday:	St. Charles Lwanga & Companions
Next Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday; St. Boniface

Please Remember in Prayer

... All those who have recently died & their families:
Roy Mulcahy, husband of Marlene.

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 30

9:00am Joe Dahm – Vestal Knights of Columbus Council #4746

Tuesday, May 31

7:30am Phyllis Gursky – Bob & Maureen Allen

Wednesday, June 1

7:30am Vocations – Vestal Knights of Columbus Council #4746

Saturday, June 4

9:00am Robb Kowalewski – Sophie Student & Family

5:15pm Josie Kintner (Birthday) – Bill Matolka & Family

Sunday, June 5

8:30am Marge Telfer – Walter & Betty Farrell

11:00am John Paul O'Connor – Steve & Cyndi Tilyou & Family

Sanctuary Lamps

...are burning in the Church and the Chapel for the intentions Sharon & John Donlin (50th Wedding Anniversary) requested by their Family.

Pope Francis' Twitter (@Pontifex)



As a Church, we need to return to what is essential instead of losing ourselves in so many secondary things, running the risk of losing sight of the simple purity of the Gospel.

Ministry Schedule

Pentecost

Ministry Schedule	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Hospitality Ministers	
Saturday, June 4, 5:15pm	OPEN A. Sherwood P. O'Connor-Allen	E. Messina L. Pedroza	T. Albert S. Annunziata E. Fine	E. Annunziata M. Annunziata	C. Kaminski OPEN
Sunday, June 5, 8:30am	Youth Mass	R. Eddy D. Fitzgerald K. O'Brien	M. Allen P. Allen OPEN	M. Allen C. Austenfeld	B. Brown L. Carden
Sunday, June 5, 11:00am	G. Saitta D. Waters B. Graves	M. Georgoudes H. Paradis	L. Catarella N. Catarella B. Powell	A. Miller J. Schlitz	T. Schlitz L. Tran

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Information

May 29, 2022 Parish Calendar

Daily Mass (Chapel) Monday-Wednesday 7:30am
Saturday 9:00am (Church)

Sunday, May 29

8:30am Mass
 9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
 11:00am Mass
 12:00pm Baptism of Giovanni Pittari

Memorial Day Monday, May 30

Parish Office Closed.

8:30pm Rosary
 9:00am Daily Mass



Tuesday, May 31

7:00am Rosary
 8:30am Parish Staff Meeting (Office closed)
 11:00am Living Joy Book Club (Café)
 12pm-2pm Food Pantry Open
 7:00pm Bible Study (rm 11)
 7:00pm Preview of Sunday Scriptures (Zoom)

Wednesday, June 1

7:00am Rosary
 8:00am Adoration & Divine Mercy

Thursday, June 2

9:30am Women's Study Group (rm 11)
 4pm-7pm Food Pantry Open

Friday, June 3

7:00am Men of St. Joseph

Saturday, June 4

8:30am Rosary
 4pm-4:45pm Confession
 5:15pm Mass

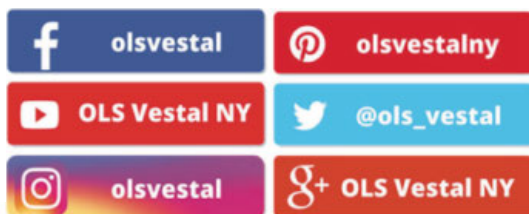
Pentecost Sunday, June 5

8:30am Youth Mass
 9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
 11:00am Mass



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Our Website:
olsvestal.org



Our Giving

Regular Offering

Envelopes	138	\$6,087.00
Online Giving	66	\$3,128.00
Loose		\$475.00
TOTAL		\$9,690.00



Your generosity, charity & sacrifice are deeply appreciated. Thank you very much!

Parish Contact List

Parish Office	(607)748-8287
Parish Email	office@olsvestal.org
Faith Formation	(607)748-8287
Food Pantry (Julie Slattery)	(607)785-3214 pantry@olsvestal.org
Dennis Slattery	Parish Council
Tom Boslet (Grand Knight)	tboslet02@gmail.com

Sacraments

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. If this is your first child, a baptism prep online class is required. Any questions please call Diane Rigotti at 607-748-8287.

Marriage

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

First Sacraments & Confirmation

Please contact our Director of Faith Formation,
ksoprano@olsvestal.org.

Ministry to the Sick

If a family member is hospitalized or homebound, please call the Parish Office as soon as possible. Privacy laws may prevent a hospital from telling us your loved one is there.

If you are moving ...

Please call or email the Parish Office with your new address and phone number so we can update contact information.

Parish Staff

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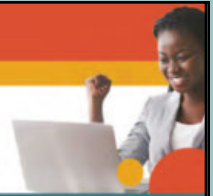
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