



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

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JULY 10, 2022 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor

Rev. Richard P. Prior, Jr.

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday:

8:30 am & 11:30 am

Daily Mass (Chapel)

Tuesday - Thursday

8:00 am

Reconciliation

4:00 pm-4:45 pm

Rosary

Tuesday - Thursday:

7:30 am

Adoration

Wednesdays:

8:30 am-9:30 am

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:

8:00 am-3:00 pm



BUT A SAMARITAN
TRAVELER WHO CAME UPON
HIM WAS MOVED WITH
COMPASSION AT THE SIGHT.

- LUKE 10:33

We can learn a great deal from Mister Rogers. Remember him? He was the gentle soul who found his way into living rooms worldwide starting as far back as 1968. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood was a beloved program that celebrated and exalted people, especially children. He taught us that we are neighbors and that everyone has a place. Everyone matters. He had a vision, born of his relationship with God that highlighted every human life's innocence, beauty, and uniqueness. To that end, he called us to be responsible for each other, saying nothing different than what Jesus said. Viewers quickly learned that life is not just about me.

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes (Fred Rogers)." It is so easy to look the other way. After all, I'm not the one who needs to leave home out of fear and try to find somewhere safe. I am not the one who is hungry and without shelter or food. I am not the one who has a child being bullied or ridiculed because of the way they dress or act. I am not the one being threatened with violence or unable to find meaningful work. The distress and agony of our neighbors are our distress and agony. We cannot walk by it with an attitude of indifference, especially if we call ourselves believers. When we no longer care, we have suffocated our souls. This is a great sin.

God's law "is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." We all have a need for love and acceptance. That's why Mister Rogers' television show was so popular. It spoke to something deeper, something sacred about humanity. God didn't give us his law in a book. He wrote it on our hearts. We know what we need to do. It's a matter of choice. Love is sacred. When we love another human being, especially without regard for ourselves, it is a holy moment. These moments are often missed due to our self-serving agendas and rules.



Pastor's Desk

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's First Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses instructs the people about the law. The law that is referred to is far from what most people would consider upon hearing the word *law*. In the Old Testament, the word *law*, which appears most often in the Book of Psalms and the Book of Deuteronomy, is understood as "instruction" or "teaching" and was intended to be a guide for living as well. Thus, we hear the psalmist extol the blessings of the law throughout Psalm 119, the longest of all the psalms. Moses wants the people to understand that God's law is within them and they need only to recognize it and live it.

St. Luke's Gospel also turns our attention to the law when the so-called "scholar of the law" asks Jesus about inheriting eternal life. When Jesus questions him about what is written

in the law, the scholar refers to teachings found in Deuteronomy (see 6:5) and Leviticus (see 19:9-18). When the scholar questions further, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, a parable that exemplifies the selfless love of a true neighbor. The Gospel teaches us today that knowing the "right answer" does not equate to understanding the Scriptures. The "scholar of the law" knew what the Scriptures said, but he did not understand the meaning.

Fr. Prior



Parish News

PARISH PICNIC Volunteers Needed!

Picnic Volunteers Needed in the Following Areas':

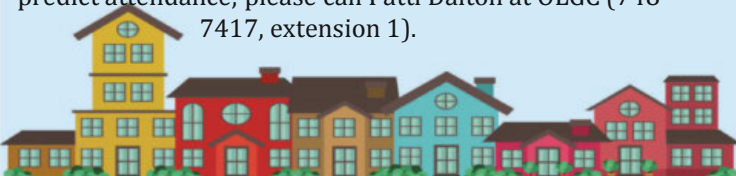
- **Selling Tickets before and after Masses** - sell tickets before and after Mass July 16-17 and July 23-24.
- **Setting up and tearing down tables** - day of the picnic.
- **Registration Table** - taking tickets the day of the picnic. One-hour shifts.
- **Helping with children's activities** - day of the picnic.
- **Setting up and selling tickets for the basket raffles** - set up before the picnic, taking care of basket raffle, day of the picnic.
- **Help keeping tables clean and clear** - day of the picnic.

Please sign up in the Gathering Space or call the office to find out how and when you can help. We need people!



Neighborhood Meetings with Father Prior

"Meet and Greet with Fr. Prior" Neighborhood Meetings are scheduled for OLG and OLS parishioner homes on July 12-14, 19-21 and 26-28. Registration is required so we can predict attendance; please call Patti Dalton at OLG (748-7417, extension 1).



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

Clare Marie Connors

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



**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.



SIGN UP TO SERVE!

Become part of our thriving community by sharing your talents! We're looking for:

- Hospitality Ministers
- Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors
- Altar Servers
- Wedding Day Assistants

Please call (607-748-8287) or email
(office@olsvestal.org) or
(Kathy@olsvestal.org) if you are
interested in joining a ministry.





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.*

Rule 9: Frame Your Mind with Faith

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

- Saint Paul (Colossians 3:2)

Journal Questions

- Do you see your life through the frame of faith or primarily through another "frame"? Another way to ask this is: If your life were a story, what would the title be?
- Was there a time when your frame... the way you saw your life ... took away your joy rather than adding to it? What changed?
- What's your favorite way to boost your faith in your daily life? What devotional activity are you most drawn to?
- If you became Saint (insert your name here), what do you fear you'd have to give up? How would your life become better?

Challenge

- **Reject toxic faith:** To begin rejecting toxic faith, reflect on ways your faith might be tainted by an understanding of God as stern, angry or a father with performance based, conditional love. Then spend a minute in silence thinking about Jesus looking at you from the cross with great love. Do that 60 seconds in prayer daily, if you can - simply receiving God's love.
- **Practice your faith.** Find some devotional to increase your faith and do it!

Take it to Prayer:

Lord Jesus, you are the love that I was born to find. You are here, offering ME your heart and asking for mine in return. You have given me the freedom to say no. I use my freedom to say yes. I surrender all I am to you. I renounce Satan. Sin. The spirit of despair and the lie that I am unlovable. I forgive others, and I forgive myself of my worst sin. And I ask you to forgive me and to forgive those who have hurt me. You are Lord of the Universe. Be Lord of my life. I say yes to you.



Concert

Come join us for a July concert with "360 Band". All band members are Active Combat Veterans. July 13th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel, 701 West Main Street, Endicott. All ages welcome! The band plays Country Rock, Folk, and Gospel music. A free will offering will be taken in support of the Southern Tier Veterans Support Group (STVSG) serving the Southern Tier of NY and Northern Tier of PA.

White Elephant Sale

The Church of the Holy Family will be having a White Elephant Sale on Friday, July 29, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm and on Saturday, July 30, from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Come and see what treasures you can find at very reasonable prices. See you there!

OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH PICNIC JULY 31, 2022, 12:30PM - 3PM



\$9.00 per Brooks' Dinner

which includes 1/2 chicken dinner, baked beans, pasta salad, chocolate chip cookie & bottled water.

Limited tickets available and will be sold after all Masses the weekends of July 17th & July 24th.

PARISH PICNIC

BASKET RAFFLE



**OLS Parish Picnic is
July 31, 2022.**

**Please drop off your
baskets to the Parish
Office by July 28.
Thank you!**



A great way to volunteer and support our church picnic is by donating a theme basket for the raffle. It's simple and fun. Let your creativity soar!

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Totus Tuus

Totus Tuus is this week! Do not miss this opportunity to sign your children up for this fun, faith-filled week-long summer Catholic youth program! Camp is for students from 1st through 12th grade. Grades 1-6 will be Monday July 11- Friday July 15, 9am-3pm. Grades 7-12 will be Sunday July 10 - Thursday July 14, 7pm-9pm. Register online at olsvestal.org.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO THE 30TH ANNUAL

PEACE CAMP!

Join us for four fun-filled days of learning about peace, conflict resolution, and caring about others and our world!

JULY 18-21, 5:30-8:00PM

Cost: \$10 t-shirt fee

Campers - entering K-6th grade

Counselors - 7th grade and up

Questions? Contact Terry Dempsey at 607-748-3221 or dempseyterry@earthlink.net

Sign-up online olsvestal.org or grab a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space.



Peace Camp Counselors

Calling all Peace Camp counselors!

We have two planning meetings coming up:

Sunday, July 17th,

2 - 4 pm in the OLS café.

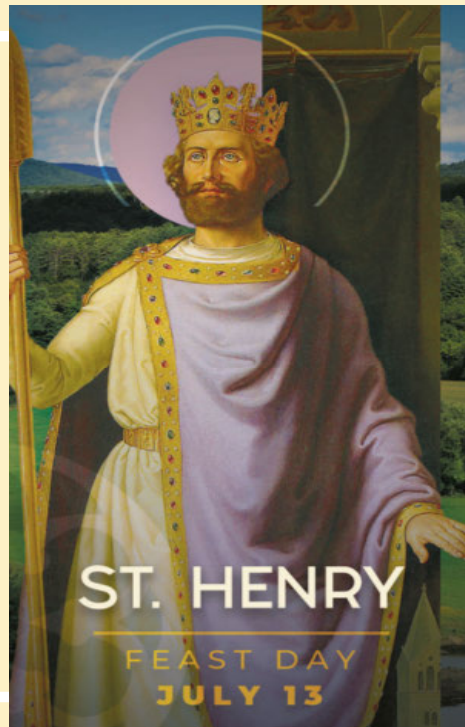
Set up, tie dying and planning meeting.

Monday, July 18th

4 pm in the OLS Café, this is the final meeting before camp begins at 5:15

All counselors must attend Monday meeting.

Questions, please call Mrs. Dempsey 607-725-8057 or email dempseyterry@earthlink.net



Saint Henry was born in 972 to Henry, Duke of Bavaria, Germany, and his wife Gisela of Burgundy. Saint Henry's early life was permeated with Christianity, among those who guided his education was Bishop Wolfgang of Ratisbon, who became a saint himself. In 995, Saint Henry succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria, and in 1002, upon the death of his cousin, Otho III, he was elected emperor. In 1014, Saint Henry undertook the long journey from Germany to Rome to be crowned Holy Roman Emperor by Pope Benedict VIII.

In 1022 Saint Henry assisted Pope Benedict VIII in holding the Council of Pavia, which promoted clerical celibacy and sought to end simony (the buying and selling of ecclesiastical goods and offices). During his reign, Saint Henry used his wealth and position for the Church. He confirmed Benedict's authority over Rome, was a patron of churches and monasteries, supported the Cluniac Reforms, restored episcopal sees, and founded the Diocese of Bamberg where he built a cathedral.

Saint Henry was married to Cunigunde of Luxembourg, to whom he was incredibly devoted. Although disputed by some historians, some stories of the couple's marriage report they took vows of celibacy because their union was childless.

Saint Henry died in July of 1024 and was canonized in 1146 by Pope Eugene III.

Weekly Prayer

Readings for the Week of July 10, 2022

Sun 7/10	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:25-37
Mon 7/11	First Reading Gospel	Isaiah 1:10-17 Matthew 10:34-11:1
Tues 7/12	First Reading Gospel	Isaiah 7:1-9 Matthew 11:20-24
Wed 7/13	First Reading Gospel	Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16 Matthew 11:20-24
Thurs 7/14	First Reading Gospel	Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 Matthew 11:28-30
Fri 7/15	First Reading Gospel	Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 Matthew 12:1-8
Sat 7/16	First Readings Gospel	Micah 2:1-5 Matthew 12:14-21
Sun 7/17	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Genesis 18:1-10a Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42



Observances for the Week

Sunday:	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Benedict
Wednesday:	St. Henry
Thursday:	St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Friday:	St. Bonaventure
Saturday:	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Next Sunday:	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Remember in Prayer



... All those who have recently died & their families.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 12

8:00am Rev. Thomas J. Hayes (21st Anniversary) – Former Pastor

Wednesday, July 13

8:00am Caroline Wisniewski - Family

Thursday, July 14

8:00am The People of Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday, July 16 at Our Lady of Good Council Church

9:00am Donald "Jim" Wilson – Pete & Jean Ziolkowski

Saturday, July 16

5:15pm Bob Butler – Mary Tims

Sunday, July 17

8:30am Joe Dahm – The Mallery Family

11:30am Melissa Maiolo Betts – Don & Georgetta Maiolo

Sanctuary Lamps

...are burning in the Church
and the Chapel for the
People of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

Pope Francis' Twitter (@Pontifex)



Every day God passes by and sows a seed in the soil of our lives. Making that seed grow depends on us, on our prayer, on the open heart with which we approach the Scriptures so that it might become for us the Living Word of God.

Ministry Schedule

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry Schedule	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Hospitality Ministers	
Saturday, July 16, 5:15pm	M. Sherwood N. Hargrave R. Porter	P. Pietrosanti D. Rigotti A. Sherwood	E. Fine 2 - OPEN	C. Kaminski T. Kaminski	C. Sales OPEN
Sunday, July 17, 8:30am	P. Cartie K. Ellis D. Waters	R. Eddy D. Fitzgerald O. Fitzgerald	A. Kneller V. Kneller J. Yetsko	C. Austenfeld L. Carden	M. Danaher G. Wagner
Sunday, July 17, 11:30am	G. Catarella G. Saitta OPEN	C. Catarella B. Congdon S. Congdon	L. Catarella N. Catarella B. Powell	A. Miller J. Schlitz	T. Schlitz L. Tran

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Information

July 10, 2022 Parish Calendar

Daily Mass (Chapel) Tuesday - Thursday: 8:00am

Sunday, July 10

8:30am Mass
 11:30am Mass
 12:30pm Baptism of Claire Connors
 7pm-9pm Totus Tuus (Grades 7-12)

Monday, July 11

9am-3pm Totus Tuus (Grades 1-6)
 7pm-9pm Totus Tuus (Grades 7-12)

Tuesday, July 12

7:30am Rosary
 9am-3pm Totus Tuus (Grades 1-6)
 12pm-2pm Food Pantry Open
 5:30pm Mary's Meal (Café)
 7pm-9pm Totus Tuus (Grades 7-12)

Wednesday, July 13

7:30am Rosary
 8:30am Adoration & Divine Mercy
 9am-3pm Totus Tuus (Grades 1-6)
 7pm-9pm Totus Tuus (Grades 7-12)

Thursday, July 14

7:30am Rosary
 9am-3pm Totus Tuus (Grades 1-6)
 4pm-7pm Food Pantry Open
 7pm-9pm Totus Tuus (Grades 7-12)

Friday, July 15

7:00am Men of St. Joseph
 9am-3pm Totus Tuus (Grades 1-6)

Saturday, July 16

9am-12pm Food Pantry Open
 4pm-4:45pm Confession
 5:15pm Mass

Sunday, July 17

8:30am Mass
 11:30am Mass
 2:00pm Peace Camp Counselor Meeting (Café)

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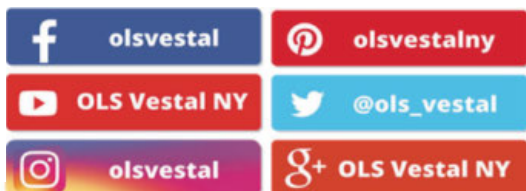
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TOTAL		\$13,630.75



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

Parish Contact List

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Parish Email	office@olsvestal.org
Faith Formation	(607)748-8287
Food Pantry (Julie Slattery)	(607)785-3214 pantry@olsvestal.org
Dennis Slattery	Parish Council
Steve Tilyou (Grand Knight)	Kofc4746.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 the Parish Office at (607) 748-8287

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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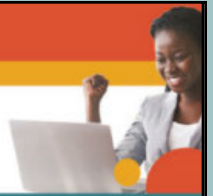
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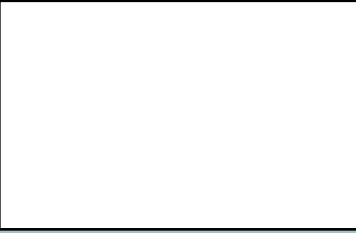
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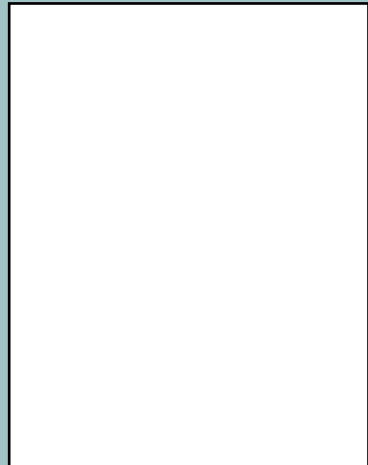
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