



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

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JULY 31, 2022 18TH 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



A warm welcome to all who are visiting us today. As Christ welcomed all who were searching for truth, peace and joy, we, the Roman Catholic faith community of Our Lady of Sorrows, welcome all people to come and find truth and peace within our walls.



What makes us feel secure? Many people look to tangible forms of security that will safeguard their livelihood and prepare for their future. We tend to associate security with things: the accumulation of goods and possessions, retirement funds, savings accounts, and substantial incomes. While acquiring these promises a life with less anxiety and worry, we actually find ourselves more preoccupied and consumed with their growth and preservation. We worry more! We can easily become quasi-hoarders, consumed with obtaining more tangible crutches. Our minds and hearts are always restless, and we never seem to be at peace.

Why do we so easily give our self-worth, value, and sense of security over to things? God certainly does not deny us the pursuit of a productive and enjoyable life but where do we draw the line? A sense of well-being and happiness can easily get deferred to sometime "in the future" while we continue to wrestle with the toils of today. There is no guarantee that there will be an earthly tomorrow and all of the frenzy we bring to securing our state in life will be for naught. When we are called from this world, will we even know where to begin to look for the tranquility and repose our souls so desperately need?

We cannot be hoarders, pursuers of vanity, or greedy. They just don't work as they are too dependent on things that can fall apart. Rather than always feeling the need for more, we need to learn how to be grateful for what we have. By learning to look inward we can learn how to live lives of faithful service to others. "Happiness can only be achieved by looking inward and learning to enjoy whatever life has, and this requires transforming greed into gratitude (St. John Chrysostom)." We all need to be good stewards of what has been entrusted to our care. Grateful hearts recognize the true source of what we have and realize that our true treasure lies not in what matters to us but to God.

Pastor's Desk

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's First Reading from Ecclesiastes introduces us to the skeptic of the Old Testament. The teacher who speaks in this book is a man who comes across as having seen it all and tried it all. He is an individual whose instruction might leave us wondering, "So now what?" The opening line in the First Reading, "Vanity of vanities" (1:2), is intended to make us take a look at our priorities in life. The Hebrew word *vanity* can be translated as vapor, breath, meaninglessness and even transitoriness.

Today's Gospel paraphrases Ecclesiastes 8:15 ("Therefore I praised joy, because there is nothing better for mortals under the sun than to eat and to drink and to be joyful.") when the

landowner says to himself, "...you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!" (Luke 12:19). With this parable, Jesus is teaching us how ridiculous it is to hoard what we have received. Jesus is challenging us to take a look at our priorities.

Neighborhood Meetings

Taking a look at our priorities has been one of the reasons for the neighborhood meetings I have scheduled. To date, there have been 6 meetings between both parishes and I have thoroughly enjoyed getting an opportunity to meet everyone and hear first-hand what parishioners see as our strengths and challenges. The final meeting will be August 11 in the Church at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

Parish News



Welcome Father Timothy Kilkelly

Father Timothy Kilkelly, a Maryknoll Missionary priest, will come to Our Lady of Sorrows to speak at all the Masses August 6 & 7th and give our parishioners an opportunity to spread Christ's message to the unchurched and the poor overseas. Father Kilkelly has served as a missionary in Peru and Hong Kong and will invite us

to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ and His Gospel to all people. While at the parish, Fr. Kilkelly will be happy to talk with any parishioners who are interested in doing overseas mission work as a Maryknoll Priest, Brother or lay Missionary. Please visit maryknollsociety.org to learn more.

Back to School Supply Drive

Once again, we are conducting a BACK-TO-SCHOOL Supply Drive to benefit students of Glenwood and Clayton Avenue School as well as families who utilize our Food Pantry. Donated items should be new and supplies that are particularly useful are:



Pencils	Markers	Post-it notes
Erasers	Colored Pencils	Back-Packs
Loose Leaf Paper	Thin Tip Dry-Erase	Tissues
Plastic Folders	Markers	Clorox wipes
Pens	Glue Sticks	Ziploc baggies
Crayons	Notebooks	... or gift cards

August Beta!!!

The Spirit of Adoption

Wednesday, August 10th, 6-8pm in the café



Please join us for the August Beta, *The Spirit of Adoption*, from Fr. Dave Pivonka's series *The Wild Goose*. We will discuss what it means to be an adopted child of God. Again, Beta offers a Catholic topic to discuss once a month in a relaxed evening with dinner, a video, and some small group discussions. **YOU MAY ATTEND A BETA ANY TIME. THERE IS A NEW TOPIC EACH MONTH.** You will need to register online so we know how many to expect for dinner. Come and join us for a good meal, great video and interesting discussions—bring a friend too! Remember to register online at www.olsvestal.org!



RCIA

Are you someone or do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic or was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. This process is known as RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information contact Diane Rigotti, at diane@olsvestal.org or call the office 748-8287.

Pastoral Care Corner

As we look at August we see that summer is wrapping up. Is it? Our warm weather lasts well into September and the fall is lovely in this part of the country. The unofficial end of summer is Labor Day, but we all know when the kids go back to school in September we get another burst of warm weather. The concept isn't that summer is over, it is that the Lord is giving us another season to marvel at and to be a part of. So remember the glass is neither half full or half empty - the glass is refillable.

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

Myla Marie Beauchamp

*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.*



First Saturday Devotion

August 6, 2022

8am Holy Mass, Consecration to Our Lady, Holy Rosary, Litany of Loreto, Confession & Meditation of the Mysteries. St. Patrick's Church, 9 Leroy St. Binghamton.

Marian Pilgrimage

Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes (Grotto) at St. Joseph's Church, Endicott. Every second Saturday at 12pm. Angelus, Rosary, Talk & Consecration to Our Lady. For more information: rosary2Mary@gmail.com

St. Mary of the Assumption 2022 Bazaar

Saturday August 13th, 12pm-10pm. Come and enjoy good food and music. Homemade Meatball subs, pasta fagioli, pepper and egg sandwiches, sausage—pepper & onions and gnocchis (from 4pm-9pm), cannoli, Italian love cake, cripellis, root beer floats & assorted baked goods. There will also be games of chance, pull tabs, kids games, popcorn and snow cones. There is something for everyone!

Danielle House

15th Annual Fall Fest

Fundraiser Raffle, Thursday, September 29 held at Traditions at the Glen (under the tent), 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

\$20,000 in cash prizes (Provided all tickets are sold)

The cost is \$100 with the opportunity to win 5 cash prizes.

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Tickets can be purchased either through the following methods: Checks made payable to The Danielle House – mail to 160 Riverside Drive Binghamton, NY 13905. Pay Pal online at <https://www.daniellehouse.org/fallfest.html>. Credit card or cash – Please call The Danielle House at 607-724-1540 for availability.



Volunteers Needed

God blesses those who bless others. Danielle House needs volunteers. Three hours shifts available. Duties to include light housekeeping, and clerical, but most importantly being a friend to our guests. If interested and for more information, please call 607-724-1540.

2022 Knock Novena at St. Patrick's Church in Binghamton



Novena prayers will conclude each of the regularly scheduled masses from August 14-August 22. On August 16, 18, and 19, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 6PM, in preparation for the 7PM Novena Service. There will be special masses at 7PM on the Solemnity of the Assumption (Aug. 15), the Feast of Our Lady of Knock (Aug.17) and the Memorial of the Queenship of Mary (Aug. 22). After the Mass on August 17th, there will be an ice cream social to celebrate the feast. We are excited to have visiting preachers from around the diocese for these evening liturgies.

On the evening of August 21, 1879, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared with St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist on the gable wall of the parish church in Knock. Alongside the three saints, the paschal lamb stood on an altar surrounded by choirs of angels. The people of the village knelt in awe for two hours in the pouring rain praying their rosaries. Devotion to Our Lady of Knock has grown since the approval of this apparition and is celebrated each year with a novena from August 14th-August 22nd, beginning on the Vigil of the Assumption and concluding on the Feast of the Queenship of Mary. The faithful are encouraged to attend Mass and pray the Rosary during the days of the Novena. Please visit www.sta-sp.org for more information.

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Nearly New Shop

The Ladies of Charity are announcing the re-opening of the Nearly New Shop. We are now open at 331 Main Street, Binghamton. Our hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 10:00am to 3:00pm. As before we will be selling gently used men's, women's and children's clothing at very reduced prices. We are looking forward to seeing you and would appreciate your business as the money earned is returned to the community.



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In-person race 9/17/22 at 3PM
at Vestal High School

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Faith Formation & Youth Ministry



Totus Tuus

Thank you! Thank you to everyone who helped make Totus Tuus a huge success! The day program had 34 participants from grades 1-6 and in the evening we had 25 participants from grades 7-12. We were blessed with four wonderful missionaries, Rory, Douglas, Angela, & Marty who led us in a week filled with learning about our faith, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fellowship and lots of fun as well. Thank you to the Diocese of Syracuse for providing this opportunity, to our Parish who provided support for us to be able to host this program, and to the wonderful staff and volunteers who made this blessed week possible for our young people!



Classes begin September 18th

Register Today at

www.olsvestal.org

Forms available in the Gathering Space

Our Lady of Sorrows, Vestal NY

St. Michael's Leadership Group

For: Grades 9 - 12

Location:

White House at Our Lady of Good Counsel (next to the west side of OLG school).

Date:

First meeting is Wednesday, August 24 and we will continue to meet every Wednesday evening.

Father Prior will lead the group discussing Jesus as a model for leadership using the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday readings.

This is a food, fun and faith gathering event! Registration is not required - just show up and bring a friend!

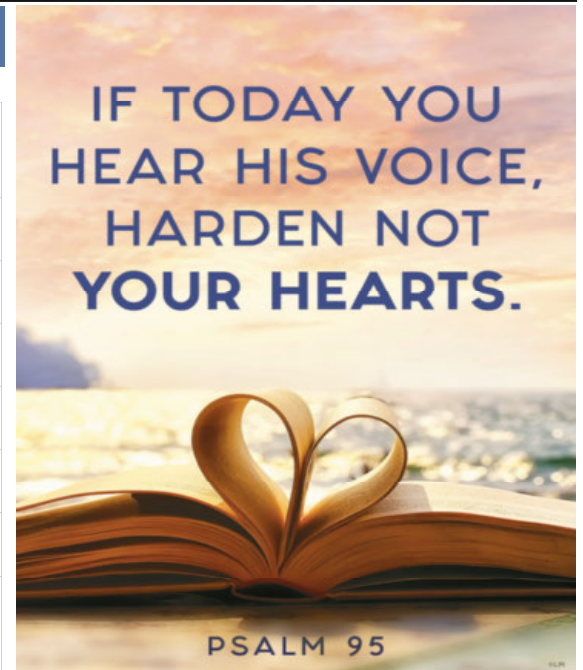
Jesus was a great leader. Come join Father Prior as we explore what we can learn from Jesus' leadership style.



Weekly Prayer

Readings for the Week of July 31, 2022

Sun 7/31	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:32-23 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Luke 12:13-21
Mon 8/01	First Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 28:1-17 Matthew 14:13-21
Tues 8/02	First Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Matthew 15:1-2, 10-14
Wed 8/03	First Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 31:1-7 Matthew 15:21-28
Thurs 8/04	First Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Matthew 16:24-28
Fri 8/05	First Reading Gospel	Nahum 2:1, 3:1-3, 6-7 Matthew 16:24-28
Sat 8/06	First Readings Gospel	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Luke 9:28b-36
Sun 8/07	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Wisdom 18:6-9 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 Luke 12:32-48



Observances for the Week

- Sunday:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Ignatius of Loyola
- Monday:** St. Alphonsus Liguori
- Tuesday:** St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard
- Thursday:** St. John Vianney
- Friday:** The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
- Saturday:** The Transfiguration of the Lord
- Next Sunday:** 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sixtus II & Companions; St. Cajetan

Please Remember in Prayer



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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 2

8:00am **No Mass**

Wednesday, August 3

8:00am **No Mass**

Thursday, August 4

8:00am **No Mass**

Saturday, August 6 at Our Lady of Good Council Church

9:00am **No Mass**

Saturday, August 6

5:15pm Steven & Gloria Costello - Family

Sunday, August 7

8:30am James Macchiano – Steve & Julann Rice

11:30am Margaret Milkovich – Pat & Dick Woodruff

Sanctuary Lamps

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

Pope Francis' Twitter (@Pontifex)



To pray together, to help one another, to share life stories, common joys and struggles: this is what opens the door to the reconciling work of God.

Ministry Schedule

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry Schedule	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server	Hospitality Ministers	
Saturday, August 6, 5:15pm	F. Frear A. Sherwood M. Sherwood	L. Pedroza P. Pietrosanti M. Restuccia	3 - OPEN	L. Baker T. Baker	C. Kaminski T. Kaminski
Sunday, August 7, 8:30am	G. Kucharski P. Cartie	P. Lo Galbo J. Rohde	M. Allen P. Allen S. Annunziata	M. Allen E. Annunziata	M. Annunziata F. Czochara
Sunday, August 7, 11:30am	OPEN B. Congdon	C. Catarella S. Congdon	L. Catarella O. Goncalves Z. Smith	I. Goncalves J. Schlitz	T. Schlitz OPEN


Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Information

July 31, 2022 Parish Calendar

Daily Mass (Chapel) Tuesday - Thursday: 8:00am	
Sunday, July 31	
8:30am	Mass
11:30am	Mass
12:30pm	Parish Picnic
Monday, August 1	
Tuesday, August 2	
NO MASS TODAY	
12pm-2pm	Food Pantry Open
7:00pm	Preview of Sunday Scriptures (Zoom)
Wednesday, August 3	
NO MASS TODAY	
Thursday, August 4	
NO MASS TODAY	
4pm-7pm	Food Pantry Open
Friday, August 5	
6:30am	Men of St. Joseph
Saturday, August 6	
9:am-12pm	Food Pantry Open
4pm-4:45pm	Confession
5:15pm	Mass
Sunday, August 7	
8:30am	Mass
11:30am	Mass

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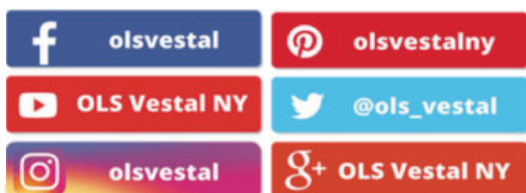
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TOTAL		\$9,785.00



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

Parish Contact List

Parish Office	(607)748-8287
Parish Email	office@olsvestal.org
After Hours Emergency	(607)523-9967
Food Pantry (Julie Slattery)	(607)785-3214 pantry@olsvestal.org
Dennis Slattery	Parish Council
Steve Tilyou (Grand Knight)	stilyou@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 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

Pastor: Rev. Richard P. Prior, Jr.	office@olsvestal.org
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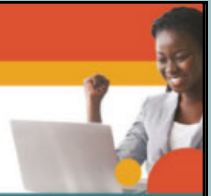
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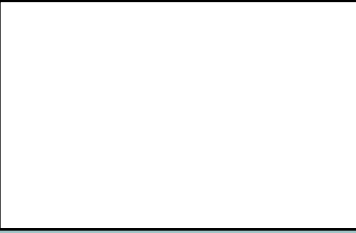
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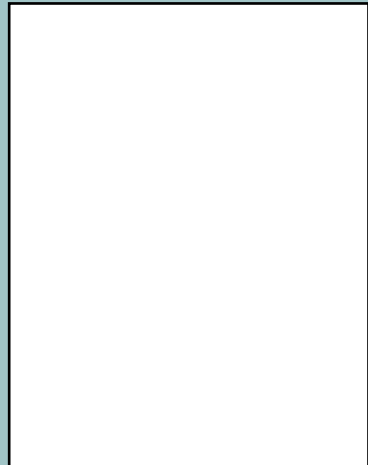
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