

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

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September 8, 2019: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome!

You bless us with your presence.

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Monday at 10am

Do not be afraid to be holy! Have the courage and humility to present yourselves to the world determined to be holy, since full, true freedom is born from holiness.

Pope John Paul II

quote fancy

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Masses: 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM and
7:00 PM (Eventide)

Daily Mass: Wednesday—Friday, 12 PM

Holy Days: 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30—4:30 PM

Anointing of the Sick: First Friday of
every month at the 12:00 PM Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays & Tuesdays, 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM
Call the office for door access code.

**The Rosary is prayed a half-hour before the
start of every Mass.**

Taize Prayer: Second Thursday of every
month at 7:00 PM

Family Rosary: Fourth Friday of every
month beginning with potluck, 6:00 PM.

Gluten-free Communion hosts are available upon request. Come into the Sacristy **before** Mass to tell either the priest, James, or a Sacristan helper that you want one, and it will be put out on the altar. **Hearing assistance devices** are available at the side entrance.

Welcome to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. If you are new to the parish or you have updated information, please cut and fill out this form. Bring it to the office or put it in the collection basket.

Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____

- New Parishioner New Address New Phone I would like Father to call me.
 Interested in Parish Ministries I would like offertory envelopes

Reflection for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary time

'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Many people say that marriage is not an easy thing that is why you have to weigh the cost before getting into it. Once two people are engaged and decide to marry, their life can't be the same again. They have to sacrifice their former way of life and embrace the life of married people knowing that they have new responsibilities and status. That is why a real loving relationship costs.

In the same way, we all who have been baptized are engaged to Christ in a special relationship, and we perfect this relationship every time we come for the Eucharist, and this engagement costs. We can't be followers of Christ and remain attached to our old bad habits, or ideas, behaviors and actions that go against this relationship. Instead, just as two lovers commit themselves single-heartedly to each other, so is Christ expecting us to sacrifice all obstacles and distractions no matter where they come from. It is because of this that in the Gospel today, Christ uses a very strong Semitic language, "to be my disciple you must hate your family"-this simply means that to follow Christ we have to be detached from all those things, actions or ideas, behaviors that take us away from remaining faithful to him and his teachings even if those things are as dear to our heart like, or come from, a wife or children or family.

We see this practically in the second reading. Paul's letter to Philemon, probably the shortest letter, is addressed to Philemon, a Christian member of the church at Colossae. Paul who was writing from prison most likely Ephesus around 55AD is aware of the practice of slavery at the time. Onesimus was the slave in Phile-

mon's household; he had run away probably stealing something of value from his master. He fled to Paul to seek refuge and during his time with Paul, he was converted to Christianity.

Paul would have kept Onesimus with him but recognized the proprietorship of Philemon and sent Onesimus back. The question many have asked is why didn't Paul condemn slavery? Well, Paul was prudent given that slavery was deep in the institution, if he had overreacted, Philemon could have done anything to Onesimus, even as worse as killing him. So, Paul, instead of attacking the institution to bring an end to slavery, chose to change the hearts of believers who in turn would do what was necessary to end the inhumane treatment of people. He urges both Philemon and Onesimus to see each other from a different angle, not as master and slave but as fellow believers or followers in Christ. He challenges them to be true and authentic followers of Christ.

So for the sake of following Christ, each person in this letter had a cost to pay. Paul, though in prison, had to forego the help that his "child" in faith offered him. Onesimus also had to return to his master and face the consequences of his actions - stealing. And Philemon was being called upon to forgive Onesimus and even more than that, elevate him to the level of "brother." All that was the cost each had to pay to remain faithful to the personal relationship with Christ. What about us? Are there some things, actions and habits that we need to renounce so as to be more faithful disciples? Jesus tells us: "...anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Have a blessed week! Fr. Chrispine

Please considering using our Online Giving

You can use either checking or savings accounts, and the funds will be automatically transferred to our parish bank account. Visit our website for details.

Thank you!



Father Chrispine has asked me to let the parishioners know about the parish finances on an regular basis.

First of all, I want to thank those who give to the parish on a regular basis. We have parishioners who give weekly or monthly by using the envelopes system or using Online Giving. Secondly, we have people who give loose checks, currency and coins in the offering basket each week. We receive \$400 to \$800 each week from these generous givers. These are the funds we count on to keep our budget going. Sometimes we receive bequests or larger donations that help, but these cannot be counted on.

You may wonder about the money we get from our rentals. We do have two major leases for the school building that bring in roughly \$10,000 each month. Sadly, we have our two houses currently vacant so we have lost about \$3,700 in monthly income. Added to that is the expense of getting them ready to rent again. This loss of income will affect our budgeting for this fiscal year. There are two ways to make up the difference: Spend less and/or make more. The staff is working on the former by reevaluating our expenses. To make more, we need to have some really great fundraisers and/or increase donations.

As we move into fall, we will be looking at some of these options. Please pray for our parish to find good people to rent our facilities, and pray for great ideas and energy for fundraising.

Bonnie Custer, Admin Assistant

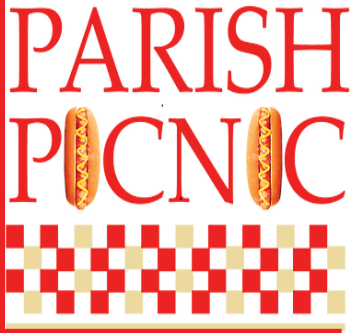
UPDATE

on the PARISH PICNIC

To mark the feast of our patroness, Our Lady of Sorrows, the picnic will begin with the 11am Mass. The picnic will commence immediately following Mass.



September 15th 11am-2:00 pm
Begin with Mass, then in the courtyard & gym
Parish provides hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments, ice tea and lemonade
You bring the extras! If your last name begins with:
A-L bring salads or side dishes
M-Z bring deserts



Food must arrive BEFORE 12:15pm. Please bring your food items to the gym before Mass. Volunteers will put them in the refrigerator as needed and lay out food at the right time.



Sunday September 15th Picnic

- Setting up tables and chairs in the courtyard & gym
- Receiving food from 11am Mass attendees
- Take down tables and chairs
- Clean up and wash dishes



Meet in the gym Sunday at 9:30 am.

Echoes of Faith

We need adult helpers in our religious education program and Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place on Sundays at the 11am Mass. Leaders lead the children to Fr. Carberry Hall to hear the Word of God at their level, along with a work sheet.

Class helpers are needed in the Pre-Communion class (kindergarten & 1st grade) and Post-Communion class (3rd-5th grades). Classes are Sundays at 9:30am.

If your heart is open to sharing your faith with our children, please see Evelyn or call the office.

Thank you.

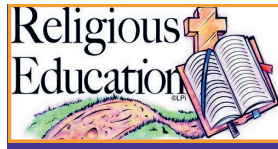
The OLS parish app will be discontinued at the end of September. We received notice from Our Sunday Visitor that they will no longer offer apps.



Volunteers needed for the **Fall Bazaar** October 19-20. If you want to help, please call Diane Salvitelli at 503-774-1241



Baptism Class
Sunday September 8
5:00 PM
Parish Conference Room
For parents & godparents



Our children grow in faith by imitating their parents and participating in parish Religious Education (RE).

We offer three class groups:

- For those who have already received First Communion
- For those seeking First Communion, in second grade and older
- For those in Kindergarten and first grade

Fall classes begin Sept. 8 at 9:45am-10:45am in the Religious Education Center (REC), below the gym.



In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out the demands of following him, the great cost of discipleship. The Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul states: "Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice... the Society makes no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ."

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? Contact Susan Petersen.

Assistance with rent, food, and utilities:

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Emergency Services Center: 8101 SE Cornwell (off 82nd AVE, north of Johnson Creek Fred Meyer)
Hours: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 to 4:00 PM Monday—Friday **Phone:** (503) 235-8431

The Marian Prayer Center invites you to a prayer vigil in honor of Our Sorrowful Mother

September 17th

**6:30pm Rosary of the 7 Sorrows
 Followed by Mass with Fr. Maxy D'Costa**

Fellowship and refreshments to follow.

4370 SE King Rd, Milwaukie 503.786.9600

Catholic in Recovery (CiR)

CiR is a general recovery group that combines the spiritual principles of 12 step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church.

We will have a special meeting on Saturday Sept 14 at 9am in Fr. Carberry Hall to discuss paring down to one day and time that can host several types of meetings.

All are welcome. Confidentiality is protected.

Wednesdays 6 PM in Fr. Carberry Hall

Saturday 2 PM in Fr. Carberry Hall

NEW: Family group: (like Al-Anon) Saturday 2 PM in gym

<https://catholicinrecovery.com/>

Fr Heuberger is doing well in retirement. Several parishioners have enjoyed visiting him in Beaverton. He hopes to have knee surgery in October. Write to him:

Rev. Joseph Heuberger
 4595-B SW St. John Vianney Way
 Beaverton OR 97078
 503-473-4179 and 503-473-1362

WorldWide MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

St. Paul reminds us that there is abundant grace, faith and love available to us through Christ Jesus.



Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Nov. 8-10 at Comfort Suites in Salem.

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TAIZE PRAYER

A service of song, silence, and contemplation

Come and experience the peace and love of our God in this simple and moving prayer experience.

Everyone is welcome

THURSDAY 7 PM



Sep 14/15	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Sr. Margaret	Body: Mary	Blood: Walter & Cynthia	Louie
Sunday 8:30 AM	Colleen	Body: Rosy	Blood: Connie & Sonie	Ian, Steve
Sunday 11 AM	Maria F	Body: Sam	Blood: Ella & Jim	Lucas, Viswas
Sunday 7 PM	Evelyn	Body: Sheila	Blood: Rudy & Luisa	Carl



**Parish Prayer Chain
 (503) 775-6731,
 Ext. 111**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sun-8 **Masses at 8:30 AM, 11 AM, 7 PM**
Religious Education classes begin, 8:45-9:45am, Religious Education Center

Mon-9 Adoration, 6 AM – 11 PM, Church
St. Vincent de Paul meeting, 10 AM, Parish Conference Room

Tue-10 Adoration, 6 AM – 11 PM, Church

Wed-11 **12 PM Mass**
Wednesday's Widows, 10:15 AM, Parish Conference Room
Catholic in Recovery, 6 PM, Fr. Carberry Hall

Thur-12 **12 PM Mass**
Taizé Prayer, 7 PM, Church; wine & cheese social to follow in Fr. Carberry Hall

Fri-13 Office closed
12 PM Mass
Red Cross Blood Drive, 12-5 PM, Gym

Sat-14 **Catholic in Recovery Consolidation Planning meeting, 9 AM, Fr. Carberry Hall**
Catholic in Recovery, 2 PM, Fr. Carberry Hall
Catholic in Recovery (FAMILY), 2 PM, gym
3:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM Mass

Sun-15 **Feast day of Our Lady of Sorrows**
Masses at 8:30 AM, 11 AM, 7 PM (NO Religious Education classes today.)
Parish Picnic follows 11am Mass in the courtyard and gym. Food served 12:30pm



Mass Intentions for the Week

Wed 11	12 PM	For the intentions of Fr. Chrispine
Thu 12	12 PM	Worldwide Community of Prayer
Fri 13	12 PM	For the parish staff
Sat 14	5 PM	✠ Special Occasion Helen Jones
Sun 15	8:30 AM	For parish volunteers
	11 AM	For peace throughout the land
	7 PM	For the people of the parish



Altar Flowers are a gift from Gloria Federici in loving memory of Elizabeth Gemma

COLLECTION COUNTERS: Chuck, Jackie, Connie

DROP EVERYTHING AND GO READ YOUR BIBLE

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, 9/9: St. Peter Claver
Col 1:24—2:3/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, 9/10: St. Leo Satsuma
Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, 9/11: St. Daniel
Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, 9/12: Most Holy Name of Mary
Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38

Friday, 9/13: St. John Chrysostom
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, 9/14: Exaltation of the Cross
Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Sunday, 9/15: 24nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32

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Parish Prayer Corner

Please pray for the following people

who are ill or recently deceased:
 + Barbara Ringquist, Marcus Spotts, Kathy Cooper, Nancy Martindale, Tom Faucher & Alex & Gus

(Names are added only with the permission of the person listed.)

Month to Date (Sep 2019)	Actual	Budget	Over/Under-Budget	Other Monthly Collections	
Week 1	\$3,633.23	\$4,000	\$366.77	Property Development	\$245.00
Week 2		\$4,000			
Week 3		\$4,000		St. Vincent de Paul	\$25.00
Week 4		\$4,000			
Week 5					
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