MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH



APRIL 28, 2024 • FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH STAFF

Presbyteral Moderator: Reverend Michael P. McCandless

Parish Life Coordinator: Deacon William Yoho

PARISH OFFICE

Hours: NOTE UPDATED OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM **Parish Office:** 330-657-2631

6034 S. Locust Street, Peninsula, OH 44264 **Email:** mospenoh@windstream.net

Website: www.motherofsorrowspeninsula.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM

Holy Days/Holidays: See schedule in bulletin. **Liturgical Minister Coordinator:** Email Diane Griffiths at

dianeg4mos@gmail.com

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION/JUNIOR YOUTH MINISTRY

Hours: Sundays 9:50 AM to 11:10 AM Grades K-8

Revere Middle School, 3195 Spring Valley Rd, Akron, OH 44333

Director of Religious Education: Darlene Bednarz

PSR/JYM Assistant: John Paulett

Religious Programs Assistant: Sue Heckel **Religious Education Office:** 330-659-6321

Religious Education Office Email: stvictorpsr@roadrunner.com

MOTHER OF SORROWS MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of Mother of Sorrows Parish, established in 1882, Christ-centered and empowered by the Holy Spirit, dedicate ourselves to serve the needs of all by liturgical worship and parish ministries.



Please consider Faith Direct for weekly contributions:

Faith Direct, our eGiving portal, is the safest and simplest way to support Mother of Sorrows.

You can access it at https://membership.faithdirect.net/OH1017.

Please note there are two buttons for
"RESTRICTED" contributions to Mother of Sorrows.

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM: A custodial parent or legal guardian must contact the parish to request an Infant Baptism. Baptisms will be during a weekend liturgy. An indication of church attendance is required as is a pre-baptismal class for new parents. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for a Baptism and for attending a baptismal class.

RECONCILIATION: Anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGE: Fridays at 5:00 PM, Saturdays until 3:00 PM. Arrangements for date and time must be made six months in advance to allow for the necessary preparation. For detailed information, please contact the Parish Office.

OTHER PARISH INFORMATION

REGISTRATION: If you are new or have not yet registered, please register in person or call during office hours. If you are moving, please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible.

WEEKLY VISITATION/COMMUNION: Homebound parishioners are encouraged to receive communion regularly. To schedule a weekly visit, please call the Parish Office.

PARISH LIST OF NAMES MINISTRY: Immediate family members of the sick and deceased may contact the Parish Office so that their names can be included in the prayers at Mass and published in the weekly parish bulletin for three weeks. Please call by noon on Friday at 330-657-2631 or email the Parish.

MASS INTENTON REQUESTS: Due to bulletin deadlines and other factors, please submit requests two months in advance.

ARTICLES FOR THE PARISH BULLETIN: Items should be emailed to mospenoh@windstream.net by 4:00 PM on the Friday which is nine days prior to the desired publication date.



Mother of Sorrows Peninsula, Ohio

MASS READINGS

MONDAY, 4/29: St. Catherine of Siena

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

TUESDAY, 4/30: St. Pius V, Pope

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

WEDNESDAY, 5/1: St. Joseph the Worker

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

THURSDAY, 5/2: St. Athanasius

Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11 FRIDAY, 5/3: Sts. Philip & James, Apostles 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

SATURDAY, 5/4: Easter Weekday

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

SUNDAY, 5/5 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see



Mass Intentions

Saturday, MAY 4— 5:00 PM
Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish

Sunday, MAY 5—9:30 AM

Frank Nicotera (Bell Kids)

Your Parish Offering

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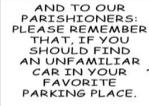
Sunday Collection	\$658.00	\$0.00
Building Fund	\$180.00	\$0.00
Monthly	\$100.00	
Candles	\$9.00	

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER





St. Catherine of Siena was born during the outbreak of the plague in Siena, Italy in 1347. She was the 25th child born to her mother, although half of her brothers and sisters did not survive childhood. Catherine herself was a twin, but her sister did not survive infancy. At the age of 16, Catherine's sister died, leaving her husband as a widower. Catherine's parents proposed that he marry Catherine as a replacement. She began fasting and cut her hair short to mar her appearance. Her fasting and her devotion convinced them to relent. Despite Catherine's religious nature, she did not choose to enter a convent; instead she joined the Third Order of St. Dominic, which allowed her to associate with a religious society while living at home. At 21, she described a vision she referred to as her "mystical marriage to Christ" in which she was told to reenter public life and to help the poor and sick. She often visited hospitals and homes where the poor and sick were found. Her activities quickly attracted followers who helped in her mission to serve the poor and sick. St. Catherine allegedly was given the stigmata. She established a monastery for women in 1377 outside of Siena. St. Catherine would later be declared a Doctor of the Church. She is one of the most influential and popular saints in the Church. By 1380, the 33year-old mystic had become ill, possibly because of her habit of extreme fasting. She died on April 29, following a stroke just a week prior. She is the patroness of the United States.





Dear People of God,

May you continue to grow and bear much fruit as you draw life-giving sustenance from the Lord Jesus.

I am so looking forward to getting to know each of you. And as you get to know me you will learn that I love gardening, maple sugaring, bee keeping and growing grapes. Every winter I have to prune the grape vines. This includes cutting off the dead parts, but it also means trimming back all but the main trunk vine. I find trimming back the plants so hard. Cutting off all of last year's growth except two or three buds on each of the branches is difficult. Cutting off healthy vines sounds counterproductive but in fact it is the best thing for the plant, and it causes the plant to produce more and bigger and better fruit. Jesus is the vine, and we are the branches, and the Father cuts out all those things that don't bear fruit. There are times where I thought that I had cut off too much. Yet, by late summer, there would be bunches of grapes growing on the vine. It was necessary to prune the branches so that the vine could pump the nourishment to branches that would bear much fruit. The branches that were attached to the main vine produced great fruit.

We are branches that must remain attached to the Vine of Jesus. Without being bound to the Lord Jesus, we will not bear fruit. We, too, must often be pruned of our deadness so we can produce a rich harvest, not just for ourselves, but also for others.

God bless you,
Deacon Will
330-620-0992
willnlizyoho@gmail.com

PLEASE NOTE NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon & Wed 10:00 AM - 2 PM

<u>All Saints Cemetery – Pre-Planning Seminar</u>

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 @ 5:30pm in the main cemetery office at All Saints Cemetery, Northfield. Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps to pre-planning the burial process, burial options including options for cremated remains, and the Catholic burial rite. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event to All Saints Cemetery – 480 West Highland Rd., Northfield, Oh. 216 -641-7575 ext. 5 or email bstrauchon@clecem.org.





Those who are sick

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