

# MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH



**OUR 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.*

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**FEBRUARY 23, 2025 • THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## PARISH STAFF

**Presbyteral Moderator:** Reverend Michael P. McCandless

**Parish Life Coordinator:** Deacon William Yoho

**Director of Music:** Darlene Bednarz [darlenebednarz@gmail.com](mailto:darlenebednarz@gmail.com)

## PARISH OFFICE

### Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

**Parish Office:** 330-657-2631

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**Website:** [www.motherofsorrowspeninsula.org](http://www.motherofsorrowspeninsula.org)

## SACRAMENTS

**INFANT BAPTISM:** A custodial parent or legal guardian must contact the parish office to request an Infant Baptism and to make arrangements 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. Contact the Parish Office for detailed information.

## 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](mailto:dianeg4mos@gmail.com)

## 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. If you or someone you know is homebound or unable to attend Mass due to illness, surgery, or other circumstances, & you would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to the home, please email [carolk4mos@gmail.com](mailto:carolk4mos@gmail.com) to set up a convenient time. We will be happy to bring the Holy Eucharist to you on a temporary or regular basis.

**CARD MINISTRY REQUESTS:** To request a greeting card from the parish for significant life events, please email [MoScardministry@gmail.com](mailto:MoScardministry@gmail.com) with the recipient's name & address, reason for the card, & requestor's contact information.

**ARTICLES FOR THE PARISH BULLETIN:** Items should be emailed to [dianeg4mos@gmail.com](mailto:dianeg4mos@gmail.com) by 4:00 PM on the Friday which is nine days prior to the desired publication date.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVDP)

We partner with St. Barnabas Parish in Northfield. If you or someone you know is in need of food, utilities or housing, call 330-467-7959 and at the prompt press "7" to leave a message or email [SVDPofSTBARNABAS@gmail.com](mailto:SVDPofSTBARNABAS@gmail.com). Responses to messages are usually made within 48 hours.



**ONLINE GIVING**

Please consider OSV Online Giving for weekly contributions: You can access the eGiving portal at

<https://osvhub.com/motherofsorrowspeninsula/giving/funds>

**Thank you for your generosity!!**



## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38



**MASS READINGS**

**MONDAY, 2/24: Weekday**

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

**TUESDAY, 2/25: Weekday**

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

**WEDNESDAY, 2/26: Weekday**

Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175/Mk 9:38-40

**THURSDAY, 2/27: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church**

Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50

**FRIDAY, 2/28: Weekday**

Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12

**SATURDAY, 3/1: Weekday**

Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/Mk 10:13-16

**SUNDAY, 3/2: 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/  
Lk 6:39-45



**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, March 1 — 5:00 PM**

Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish

**Sunday, March 2 — 9:30 AM**

Frank Nicotera (Annette Nicotera)

**Catholic Charities Appeal**

There's still time to make your pledge or donation!

Visit [www.CatholicCommunity.org/donate](http://www.CatholicCommunity.org/donate) or complete one of the donation envelopes. Thank you for your generosity!

**Your Parish Offering**

	<b>In Pew</b>	<b>On-line</b>
	<b>2/15-2/16</b>	<b>2/15-2/16</b>
Sunday Offering	\$616.00	\$324.00
Maintenance Fund	\$220.00	\$76.00
Facility Restor/Rep	\$350.00	\$5.25
Mass Intentions	\$10.00	\$0.00
Candle Money	\$7.00	\$0.00
Memorials	\$150.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,353.00</b>	<b>\$405.25</b>
<b>Total Collected</b>	<b>\$1,758.25</b>	



**Fasting, Explained**

The practice of fasting predates Christianity. The Old Testament is full of examples of righteous men and women mortifying their flesh for the purpose of making atonement or simply to grow closer to God. Jesus himself fasted for forty days and forty nights in preparation for the beginning of his public ministry, and we see his disciples following his example in the Acts of the Apostles.

Fasting continues to be an important part of Christian devotional life today. Many people feel the practice of fasting enhances their prayer and helps them fulfill St. Paul's advice to "put to death the deeds of the body" (Romans 8:13) to grow in the Spirit. Most Catholics will associate fasting with the liturgical season of Lent, which begins and ends with obligatory fasting for all members of the Latin Catholic Church between ages 18 and 59.

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**Those who are sick and suffering**

*Thomas Fiocca, Matt Leifer, Becky Nadeau, Donna Przybojewski, Fred Price, Therese Slenn & Jen Torres-Speith;*

**for those who have passed away including**

*Frank Kaczmariski, Mark Fox, Jim Kozey & the deceased of Mother of Sorrows parish*

**February 23, 2025**

**From The Deacon's Desk:**



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Once again, I would like to thank everyone for participating in our building repair and renovation effort. I thank all of you for your continued support and we continue to receive donations weekly. Our dream is to have 100% of our community be a part of this effort.

While it was necessary to spend a great deal of time and effort this first year focused on the physical facilities of our church, and we have a great plan to move forward with this, I am eager to spend the next year, focused on building up the body of Christ in our parishioners and community.

To that end, I would invite everyone to share your ideas with me on how we can grow in our faith, build this parish community and share Christ's love with the community around us. I have several ideas, programs and activities that we could do to accomplish these goals. I would greatly appreciate any ideas and input that you have so that we can create an environment here at Mother of Sorrows where we grow in our understanding, knowledge, and especially our love for Christ.

My focus for 2025 is to create, and empower disciples of Christ, to go into their spheres of influence and change the world. We can and will live as Christ has taught us. Jesus has called us, by the power of Holy Spirit to bring his light into the world.

Please pray for me and know I pray for you.

Deacon Will Yoho

**Ozanam Center Volunteers Needed**

It is MOS' turn to volunteer at the Ozanam Center on **Saturday, March 1st**. Time is 9:15-12:00. Address is: 93 Kent St., Akron, Ohio 44305. The Ozanam Center is a division of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and provides food, clothing, toys, and household goods to low-income individuals and families in Summit County. Please consider volunteering or donating any of the above items to those in need. Please contact Denise Lahoski at 330-256-8683 if you have any questions.

**The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



**Eucharistic Adoration** will take place on Wednesday, February 26 from 6:00—6:45 PM. This is a special opportunity for us to spend time in the presence of the Eucharist, the presence of Jesus! This is a time when we can bring Jesus our needs, desires, fears, regrets and more. Consider spending this time with our Lord.

**Parish Committee Meetings**

Facilities Committee Meeting:  
February 26 at 7 pm

Parish Council Meeting:  
March 26 at 7 pm

Finance Committee Meeting:  
April 30 at 7 pm



It's time to think about **singing for Holy Week**. Please consider adding your talent to praising God in song!

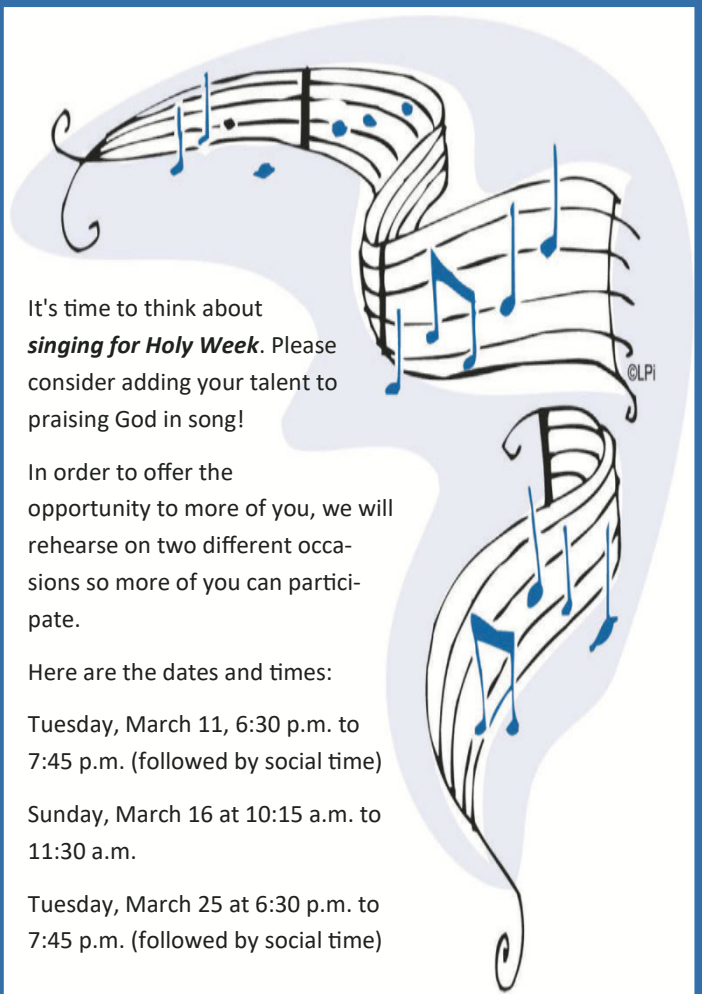
In order to offer the opportunity to more of you, we will rehearse on two different occasions so more of you can participate.

Here are the dates and times:

Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. (followed by social time)

Sunday, March 16 at 10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. (followed by social time)



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