

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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MARCH 23, 2025 • THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

PARISH STAFF

Presbyteral Moderator: Reverend Michael P. McCandless

Parish Life Coordinator: Deacon William Yoho

Director of Music: Darlene Bednarz darlenebednarz@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE

Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

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Deacon Will Yoho: 330-620-0992

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Website:

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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

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 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 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 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. 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!

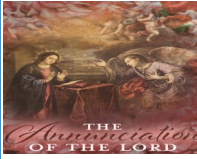
Building Restoration Fund





MASS READINGS

MONDAY, 3/24: Lenten Weekday
2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30



TUESDAY, 3/25: The Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/
Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

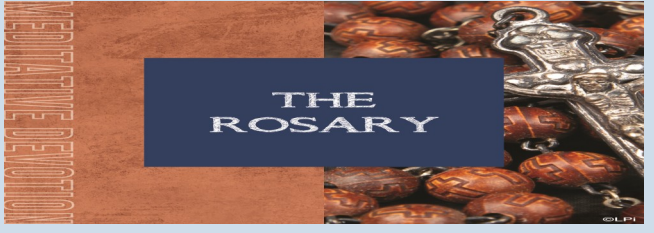
WEDNESDAY, 3/26: Lenten Weekday
Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY, 3/27: Lenten Weekday
Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

FRIDAY, 3/28: Lenten Weekday
Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

SATURDAY, 3/29: Lenten Weekday
Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

SUNDAY, 3/30: 4th Sunday of Lent
Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



THE ROSARY

The Rosary, Explained

Christians have used beads to mark the recitation of prayers since ancient times. In the 12th century, the Rosary emerged as a meditative devotion centering on significant moments in the lives of Jesus and Mary. In the words of St. Leo XIII, “there is no more excellent way of praying.”


The Rosary is traditionally attributed to a Marian vision received by St. Dominic de Guzman (1170-1221). Though scholarship on this point is uncertain, the Dominican Order was undoubtedly crucial in establishing and evangelizing the Rosary as a devotional prayer.

Over the centuries, the formula of the devotion eventually took the shape of 50 Hail Marys divided into five “decades,” with each decade focused on a different mystery. The Church has defined the Joyful Mysteries (to be recited on Saturdays and Mondays), the Glorious Mysteries (Sundays and Wednesdays), the Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesdays and Fridays), and most recently the Luminous Mysteries (to be recited on Thursdays). ©LPi



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2025 CHARITY RAFFLE

The Stow, Hudson, Peninsula KoC council is selling their **Annual Charity Raffle Tickets**. Tickets are only **\$5 each for over \$108,000 in prizes!** They're available in the vestibule of the church. You need not be present to win the drawing on May 17!




Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 29 — 5:00 PM
Ted Satola (Charles & Diane Griffiths)

Sunday, March 30 — 9:30 AM
Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish

Your Parish Offering		
	In Pew	On-line
	3/15-3/16	3/15-3/16
Sunday Offering	\$568.00	\$344.40
Maintenance Fund	\$110.00	\$76.00
Facility Restor/Rep	\$790.00	\$5.25
Mass Intentions	\$0.00	\$0.00
Candle Money	\$5.00	\$0.00
Black/Indian Missn	\$45.00	
Centrl/East Europe	\$25.00	\$0.00
Total	\$1,543.00	\$425.65
Total Collected	\$1,968.65	



In 1975, Catholics in Allentown, PA, prayed, fasted, and gave alms to help people suffering from famine in Africa—marking the beginning of what would become CRS Rice Bowl. Since then, generations of Catholics have come together each Lent to end global hunger. Our world faces a serious food crisis, and our prayers and almsgiving are as important as ever! Whether this is the first time you're participating in CRS Rice Bowl, or you were one of the founding parishioners, we must continue to come together to address this urgent need—because everyone deserves plenty to eat.

From The Deacon's Desk:



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

As many of you know, I had a partial knee replacement surgery a few weeks back. I must tell you that that was the most painful experience that I think I've ever had. I don't know if it is really that painful or I'm just getting old and weak. But the pain was excruciating. While I was experiencing that, I couldn't help but think of how many times my mother said, "offer it up". Quite frankly, I never really understood exactly what that meant. What am I offering up? Who am I offering it to? Why am I offering it up in the first place? Is this supposed to give me much comfort because it never did.

However, maybe because I received special graces during the season, suddenly it all made sense. The lightbulb turned on and I began to understand the basics of God's economy of suffering. It was like a veil was lifted and the radiance of the sun shone through with incredible light. I truly understood how we can offer our suffering and in some wonderful, powerful and mystical way I knew in the depths of my heart and soul that when we offer up our suffering, it does lighten someone's burden, provide comfort during their affliction and lets them experience unity and solidarity with the body of Christ.

No matter what our pain is, whether it be physical, spiritual or mental, it is never meaningless. When we offer up our pain and unify it with Christ, it becomes tremendously powerful. Just as Christ suffered. Just as God redeemed all of Christ's suffering and made good come from it. We too can experience that same powerful exchange. We give God our pain and brokenness and He in turn takes it, and by the grace of His will, converts it into more abundant life.

While I was amid the worst suffering ever, several things came to mind. I was struck by the fact that while I experienced excruciating pain it was nothing compared to the suffering that Christ endured for you and for me. The thought came to me again and again that my pain was limited to one part of my body, my "left knee" and then I compare it to Christ's pain, the pain of 4 inch thorns being pounded through his scalp into all of the nerves in his head, and the pain of his back, where he was scourged and flesh ripped from his body, and the excruciating pain of having to carry a 250 pound cross over a mile. The pain of having nails driven through his feet and hands as he was lifted on the cross. The pain of his body shutting down as he hung on the cross struggling and fighting to take each breath. But His greatest pain He endured was the rejection of God's people, the people he came to die for, as well as the separation from His father. And He endures all this pain for you and me.

It is good for me to consider the horrific pain that my Lord suffered for me. We would be well served this lent to endlessly contemplate all that Christ has done for us and all that Christ continues to do for us.

The Mass is often referred to as the Sacrifice of the Mass. When the priest breaks the host, it can serve as a reminder to us how Christ was broken and His body broken so that we can have life.

So next time you are experiencing pain in life, let that suffering serve as a reminder of how much you are loved by God and what a wonderful savior you have in Jesus.

May God bless you abundantly.
Deacon William Yoho

PRIEST APPRECIATION EVENT IS THIS TUESDAY!!!

This **Tuesday, March 25**, Mother of Sorrows will have a special Mass and Appreciation Dinner to honor the priests who have so willingly served our parish these last two years. **Mass will be at 5:30 PM followed by a dinner in the parish hall.**

This is the perfect opportunity for our parish to fill the church and hall to show these wonderful priests how much they have meant to us!!! We hope to see every parishioner there! Please bring a dish to share. A sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

Lent Parish Activities

Every Friday during Lent:

- Soup Supper @ 6 PM
- Stations of the Cross @ 7 PM

Bible Study

- Tuesdays in Lent @ 1 PM

Priests' Appreciation Dinner - March 25

- Mass @ 5:30 PM
- Dinner in Parish Hall @ 6:30 PM

Palm Sunday

- Ecumenical Service with Methodist Church @ 9:30 AM prior to Mass

Holy Triduum

Holy Thursday

- Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 7 PM

Good Friday

- Outdoor Stations @ Noon
- Passion of the Lord @ 3 PM

Holy Saturday

- Easter Vigil @ 9 PM

Easter Sunday

- Mass of Resurrection of the Lord @ 9:30 AM



Please consider adding your time and talent to praising God in song during Holy Week. So as many as would like can participate in the Holy Week Choir, here is an updated rehearsal schedule:
 Sunday, March 30 @ 10:30 AM
 Sunday, April 6 @ 10:30 AM
 Tuesday, April 8 @ 10:30 AM
 Tuesday, April 15 @ 10:30 AM

FAITH & FICTION Book Club April 9 @ 10 AM



Join us as we learn more about our beloved Pope Francis as we read his book, "Life: My Story Through History." Our book for April Faith & Fiction is so timely and appropriate! We're planning to learn more about our beloved Pope Francis as we discuss his book, "Life: My Story Through History." Please join us !



Those who are sick and suffering
Brian & Karen Becker, Becky Nadeau, Andrew Perko, Sharon Krachinsky, Jen Torres-Speith, Therese Slenn, Cecilia Schroeder, & Matt Leifer,
& for those who have passed away including
Bill Misencik, Caroline Wesolowski, & deceased of MoS