

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 30, 2025 • THE FOURTH 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

Parish Office: 330-657-2631

Deacon Will Yoho: 330-620-0992

6034 S. Locust Street, Peninsula, OH 44264

Email: mospeninsula@gmail.com

Website:

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

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.

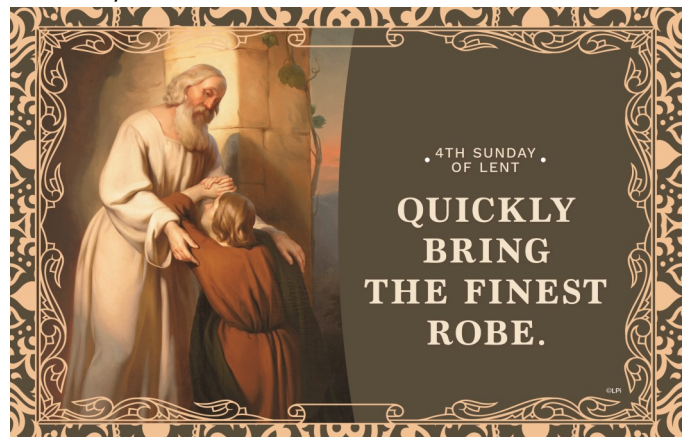
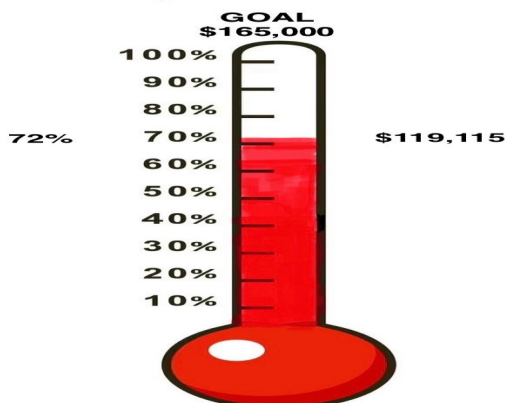
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVDP)


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, 3/31: Lenten Weekday
Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

TUESDAY, 4/1: Lenten Weekday
Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16


WEDNESDAY, 4/2: St. Francis of Paola, Hermit
Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

THURSDAY, 4/3: Lenten Weekday
Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

FRIDAY, 4/4: St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

SATURDAY, 4/5: St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest
Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53


SUNDAY, 4/6: 5th Sunday of Lent
Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11



Mass Intentions

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


Sunday, April 6 — 9:30 AM
Frank Nicotera (Annette Nicotera)



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

Your Parish Offering		
	In Pew	On-line
	3/22-3/23	3/22-3/23
Sunday Offering	\$870.00	\$450.55
Maintenance Fund	\$240.00	\$76.00
Facility Restor/Rep	\$3,495.00	\$446.50
Mass Intentions	\$0.00	\$0.00
Candle Money	\$3.00	\$0.00
Total	\$4,608.00	\$973.05
Total Collected	\$5,581.05	



NOVENA


Novena, Explained

The word *novena* comes from the Latin word, *novem*, for nine. A novena is a nine-day period of private or public prayer. There are four basic categories of novenas — novenas of preparation, of mourning, of prayer, and of indulgence.

The nine days of prayer format comes directly from scripture where we read in the book of Acts that it was nine days after the Ascension that the Holy Spirit descended onto the Apostles. During that time, the faithful men and women “devoted themselves to constant prayer,” (Acts 1:12-14) waiting for the Lord.

Today, Catholics can find hundreds of novenas to pray about a plethora of topics. Many Catholics pray novenas in times of need or in devotion to a specific saint. Although a saint’s novena may traditionally begin or end on the saint’s feast day, while others, like the “Novena for Adopted Children” or the “Novena for Vocations,” can be prayed any time of the year, there is flexibility here for those wanting to pray. The faithful may choose to pray a private novena on any topic at any time! Want to pray a novena to St. Francis but it’s not his feast day? Go ahead!

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Since 1975, 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! By participating in CRS Rice Bowl, you can help to address this urgent need— because everyone deserves plenty to eat. **Please return your CRS Rice Bowl offering on Palm Sunday.**

Ozanam Center Volunteers Needed

It is MOS’ turn to volunteer at the Ozanam Center on **Saturday, April 5th**. 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.

From The Deacon's Desk:



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

I want to take a moment to thank Fr. Jacob Bearer for his powerful presentation at the first ever Parish Lenten Mission here at Mother of Sorrows Parish. I think we were all blessed by his message of getting your eyes on Jesus. It was wonderful to see so many of our parishioners take advantage of the opportunity to go to confession with Father. His message of using worship as a weapon spoke powerfully to so many of us.

I also want to thank the two musicians that led our worship. Matt Fafrak and Max Menkhous lead us in a beautiful time of worship before our God. I think that many hearts were opened, and we all experienced a greater connection with God.

And finally, Father spoke on our ability to pray for others and see miracles happen. Father's openness encouraged all of us to seize opportunities to pray for others. And I challenge everyone to look for those opportunities to pray for others. All in all, this was a truly powerful experience.

I also want to thank all those that attended this mission. I know that each and every person that came received a special gift from the Lord. Many of our parishioners were blessed by the presentation, I just wish more had come to receive that blessing from God. Thank you to those that came and supported our first ever Parish Mission.

May God bless you abundantly.
Deacon Will Yoho
Parish Life coordinator

From Glory to Glory: A Spiritual Life That's Alive

Last week, Mother of Sorrow hosted Fr. Jacob Bearer in a three-day Lenten Mission which was well attended with a mix of MoS and non-MoS attendees who opened their minds and hearts to God in new and forgotten ways. Father asked us to think about what's hindering our being filled with God's spirit, and he reminded us that praying should be more about God's presence in our lives. Also, that Jesus wants us to receive the glory He received, so that the fruit of it spills over into the world. In closing, he asked that we think and pray about what we experienced, then, if we like, he will return to lead us in prayer. If you were able to attend, we'd love to hear your experience, please email them to mospeninsula@gmail.com.

Lent Parish Activities

Every Friday during Lent:

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

Bible Study

- Tuesdays in Lent @ 1 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—*after Mass this Sunday!*
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!

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!