



# MOTHER OF SORROWS



**MAY 24, 2026 • PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**Our Mission:** We are a Christ-centered and Holy Spirit-led parish, welcoming and genuine in community, faithful and reverent in worship, and humble stewards who serve with generous hearts.

**Our 4 Core Values:**

**Christ-Centered & Holy Spirit-Led:** We are a community that puts Jesus at the center, seeking and following the Holy Spirit's guidance.

**Welcoming & Genuine Community:** We are a warm and non-judgmental family where everyone belongs and is embraced.

**Faithful & Reverent Worship:** We are devoted to celebrating sacred liturgies that offer a profound and respectful encounter with God.

**Generous & Humble Servants:** We are grateful stewards of God's gifts, serving others and our world with generosity and humility.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:** 9:30 AM

**Holy Days/Holidays:** See bulletin schedule.

**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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**PARISH STAFF**

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**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.



**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.

**MARRIAGE:** Fridays at 5:00 PM, Saturdays until 2:30 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. Email [mospensinsula@gmail.com](mailto:mospensinsula@gmail.com).

**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.



**ONLINE GIVING**

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

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



**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Saturday, May 30— 5:00 PM**  
*Jack Griffiths (Charles & Diane Griffiths)*  
**Sunday, May 31 — 9:30 AM**  
*Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish*



**Pray for those who are sick and suffering**  
*Tammy Cozzone, Kelly Jasko, John Mazenec,*  
*Scott McDonough, Ken Michalik,*  
*Oren Ryan, & Tom Schleicher*  
**& for those who have passed away**  
**including**  
*our family members and the deceased of*  
*Mother of Sorrows parish*

**Pentecost Prayer**

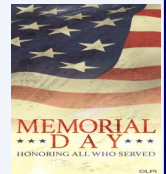
Come Holy Spirit,  
 Descend upon us and fill us with the fire of  
 Your love!  
 Remind us of Your dreams for us,  
 ignite us with new zeal,  
 place new visions on our hearts,  
 and the grace to work alongside You.  
 Amen. ©LPi



**MASS READINGS**

**MONDAY, 5/25: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church;**  
**Memorial Day**

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/  
 Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34



**TUESDAY, 5/26: St. Philip Neri, Priest**

1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31

**WEDNESDAY, 5/27: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop**

1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45

**THURSDAY, 5/28: Weekday**

1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52

**FRIDAY, 5/29: St. Paul VI, Pope**

1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

**SATURDAY, 5/30: Weekday**

Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33

**SUNDAY, 5/31: The Most Holy Trinity**

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/  
 Jn 3:16-18

**GOSPEL MEDITATION:**

**May 24, 2026**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**John 20:19-23**

*“He breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.’” (John 20:22–23)*

For those of us who go to confession regularly, there is often a familiar frustration: “Why do I keep confessing the same sins?” It can feel like a loop, cleansed but unchanged.

Pentecost reveals a hopeful perspective. When the Risen Jesus breathes on his ashamed and fearful disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, he echoes Genesis, when God breathes life into Adam. This is not just primarily the removal of guilt, but new creation.

In confession, we receive more than forgiveness. We receive a fresh outpouring, the breath of the Spirit, and a renewed mission. Jesus does not say to us, “You’re forgiven, now go back to your old life.” He says, so to speak, **“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”** (John 20:21)

That is why penance is not just saying a few prayers. It is reorientation. It is the Spirit summoning us to live differently: with mercy and healing.

Just as Adam was sent into the world, and the Apostles were sent out after Pentecost, so too we are sent from the confessional — not just clean, but consecrated.

**Pentecost Challenge:** After your next confession, ask the Holy Spirit for one way you can participate in Christ’s healing will for you. Then take one small, concrete step, and do not look back.

— *Father John Muir*

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Calendar of **EVENTS**

- Wednesday, 5/27: Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM  
Facilities Council Meeting 7:00 PM
- Thursday, 5/28: Sandwich Ministry 1:30 PM
- Saturday, 5/30: MoS Volunteers at Gennesaret
- Saturday, 6/6: MoS Volunteers at Ozanam Center
- Wednesday, 6/10: Faith & Fiction Book Club 10:30 AM
- Sunday, 6/14: Bike & Hike Blessing 10:30 AM
- Wednesday, 6/17: Rosary 8:45 AM & Mass 9:00 AM
- Wednesday, 6/24: Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM  
Facilities Council Meeting 7:00 PM  
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM

Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart Diocesan Center will have the annual Mass of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7:00 PM on Friday June 12th at St. Therese Church, 5276 E 105th St., Garfield Hts., with Fr. Eric Orzech as celebrant. All are invited to attend the special Mass to make public reparation to the Sacred Heart and ask Jesus' help for all families, our Church, and our world. Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 pm. For more information visit [www.sacredheartcleveland.weebly.com](http://www.sacredheartcleveland.weebly.com) and click on "events" or call Donna at 440-232-7725. All are welcome!

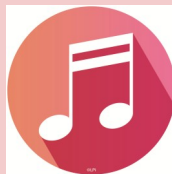


**IT'S NOT TOO LATE: SANDWICH MINISTRY**

Volunteers will partner with our Methodist Church neighbors in preparing sandwiches for those in need in downtown Akron. This outreach will take place once a month and is a meaningful way to serve our community together. Our first gathering will be on May 28 at 1:30 PM at Peninsula United Methodist Church, where we will assemble 100-200 sandwiches. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**FROM THE LOFT:** Next weekend begins the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. Given that, the Mass setting we will be using is from the Mass of Christ the Savior by Dan Schutte. If you would like to look it over in advance, the Gloria can be found at #186; the Holy, Holy # 189; the Memorial Acclamation "We Proclaim Your Death # 190; the Amen # 191; and the Lamb of God # 194.

Keep up the good singing!  
Darlene Bednarz, Director of Music



2026 Annual  
Blessing of the Bikes & Hikers  
and  
Towpath Hike n' Ride



Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> after 9:30a.m. Mass  
Mother of Sorrows Parish

6034 South Locust St Peninsula Ohio 44264

- 10:45 a.m. Blessing of the Bikes at the church
- 10:45-11:45 a.m. Hike & Ride the Towpath Trail
- 12:00 p.m. BBQ Lunch & Refreshments at the church

For further information contact the Parish Office  
330-620-0992  
[mospeninsula@gmail.com](mailto:mospeninsula@gmail.com)

Your Parish Offering May 9-10, 2026

	In Pew	On-line	Total	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under)
Sunday Offering	\$2,158.00	\$523.50	2,681.50	1,859.00	822.50
Maintenance Fund	\$100.00	\$76.00	176.00	358.00	(182.00)
Facility Restor/Rep	\$160.00	\$138.25	298.25	578.00	(279.75)
Other	\$430.00	\$0.00	430.00	285.00	145.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,848.00</b>	<b>\$737.75</b>	<b>3,585.75</b>	<b>3,080.00</b>	<b>505.75</b>