



MOTHER OF SORROWS CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUGUST 9, 2026 - 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OUR MISSION & CORE VALUES

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.

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

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PARISH STAFF

Presbyteral Moderator: Reverend Michael P. McCandless

Parish Life Coordinator: Deacon William Yoho

Director of Music: Darlene Bednarz darlenebednarz@gmail.com

Parish Assistant: Diane Griffiths dianeg4mos@gmail.com

Liturgical Minister Scheduling

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 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 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. Responses to messages are usually made within 48 hours.



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He became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter. - Mt 14:30-31

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass (2002), 1985, 1979 COD, GLPI

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 mospeninsula@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 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/motherofsorrowspeninsula/giving/funds>

BUILDING RESTORATION FUND

156%



\$256,887

GOSPEL MEDITATION

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MATTHEW 14:22-33

As a young, newly ordained priest, I admired a senior priest who was gifted, beloved, and had changed countless lives. But soon I learned that he had fallen in catastrophic and destructive ways. The painful juxtaposition of good and evil was complex to process. How could someone so seemingly good also be so broken and deceptive? It forced me to confront a sobering truth: leadership in the Church is no guarantee against weakness or sin.

Peter teaches that truth in this week's Gospel. When he sees Jesus walking on the sea, Peter does what leaders do. He goes first. **"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."** But when he sees how strong the wind is, he becomes frightened and, beginning to sink, cries out, **"Lord, save me."** Immediately, Jesus stretches out his hand and catches him.

St. Thomas Aquinas observes that Peter overcomes the greater danger of the waves but falters before the lesser threat of the wind. This is the paradox leaders often face. It is not always the great trials that undo us, but the smaller, quieter temptations, such as subtle fears and compromises, that lead us to sink.

The good news is that Jesus does not abandon Peter. He saves him before it is too late. Our frail humanity lives within a rhythm of grace, risk, failure, and mercy. Jesus helps Peter overcome both the obvious and hidden sources of fear, and he promises to do the same for us. So, let us pray for all, especially our spiritual leaders.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



PLEASE PRAY FOR...
OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Sue Andrello
Thomas Boehm
Kathleen Gus
Scott McDonough
Kathleen Tomcik Nicotera

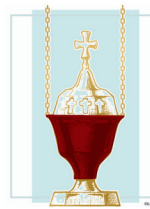
Pat Augustyn
Tammy Cozzone
Kelly Jasko
Ken Michalik
Tricia Ptak

OUR DEPARTED THAT THEY FIND PEACE

Leo Moledor

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 15 - 5:00 PM	Sunday, August 16 - 9:30 AM
Priest: Fr. Rosing	Priest: Fr. Rosing
Lector 1: Betty	Lector 1: Fred
Lector 2: Donna	Lector 2: Catherine
Server: Frank	Server: Eliza
EM: Jim	EM: Anika
Choir EM: Maureen	Choir EM: TBD
Gifts: Lynda & Ed	Gifts: Charmaine & Eric
Porter/Usher: Bill	Porter/Usher: Joe/Judy

**MASS INTENTIONS****Saturday - August 15 - 5:00 PM**

Deceased of Mother of Sorrows

Sunday - August 16 - 9:30 AM

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**WEEKLY READINGS****Monday, 8/10: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr**

2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday, 8/11: St. Clare, Virgin

Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday, 8/12: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday, 8/13: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday, 8/14: St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday, 8/15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**Vigil:** 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 **Day:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56**Sunday, 8/16: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

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WEDDING BANNS
Natalie Fleming & Cole Lovett



NOW AVAILABLE

We are pleased to offer beautiful new Mass Intention Remembrance Cards for those requesting a Mass for a deceased loved one. These cards provide a thoughtful way to let family or friends know that a Mass has been offered in memory of someone special.

There are still many open dates available for 2026. We warmly invite you to stop by the Parish Life Center on Monday or Wednesday from 10 AM -3 PM to request a Mass for a loved one, living or deceased and pick up your beautiful card. (Please note that right now, our cards are for deceased intentions.)



ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE KAYAKS

Join us this **Sunday, August 9th** after the 9:30 AM Mass for the Annual Blessing of the Kayaks! Fr. McCandless will bless the kayaks & then all participating kayakers will paddle the river. All are welcome to participate or just to support the paddlers!

UNDERSTANDING LITURGY: HOLY WATER

The holy water font at the church door is a reminder of the sacrament of baptism, when we were born into God's family and made members of the Body of Christ. Dipping our fingers and making the sign of the cross reconnects us to that foundational moment, inviting gratitude, humility, and a sense of belonging to God's family. Holy water is a sacramental — a sacred sign that prepares us to receive the grace of the sacraments. By blessing ourselves, we express a desire for our minds and hearts to be cleansed from sin and selfishness, so we can worship God worthily. This purification is both a spiritual and symbolic act. The Church teaches that holy water, blessed with prayer, can be a sign of God's grace and protection. Blessing ourselves at the entrance is a way to renew our baptismal promises and reaffirm our commitment to live as faithful Catholics.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Wednesday, 8/12: Faith & Fiction Book Club 10:30 AM
Thursday, 8/13: Adoration 7:00 PM
Wednesday, 8/19: Rosary 8:45 AM & Mass 9:00 AM
Wednesday, 8/26: Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM
Wednesday, 8/26: Facilities Committee

Prayer in Faith in Trial

Dear God,
In this time of difficulty, be with me.
When I don't feel Your presence or hear Your voice, sustain me.
When I don't see the path ahead, guide me.
When I don't know the next step, support me.
In every day and in every moment, be my strength.
Amen. ©LPi



YOUR PARISH OFFERING: JULY 25 - 26, 2026

	In Pew	On-line	Total	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under)
Sunday Offering	\$1,543.00	\$479.50	\$2,022.50	\$1,859.00	\$163.50
Maintenance Fund	\$0.00	\$51.00	\$51.00	\$358.00	(\$307.00)
Facility Restorations	\$775.00	\$221.50	\$996.50	\$578.00	\$418.50
Other	\$49.00	\$0.00	\$49.00	\$285.00	(\$236.00)
Total	\$2,367.00	\$752.00	\$3,119.00	\$3,080.00	\$39.00