



MOTHER OF SORROWS CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUGUST 30, 2026 - 22ND 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 & Wednesday 10 AM - 2 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

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:

motherofsorrowsscheduling@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.

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.



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct." - Mt 16:26-27

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass (2002), 1988, 1970 CCC, DLP

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

157%



\$259,495

GOSPEL MEDITATION: AUGUST 30, 2026

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MATTHEW 16:21-27

Do you know what it is like to be thrilled by the power of Christian faith one moment and then utterly fail in it the next? I do. That is Peter in today's Gospel. After last week's bold confession, he now hears Jesus speak of suffering and death, and something in him recoils. He takes Jesus aside and tries to correct him. Jesus responds with the shocking rebuke, **"Get behind me, Satan."**

Peter is the mirror of every disciple. We love Jesus until he contradicts the script we have written for our lives. Peter does not reject Jesus. He rejects a suffering Jesus. So do we, whenever we avoid a hard responsibility, resist a demanding relationship, or cling to comfort instead of choosing love. We want a Lord who supports our plans, not one who overturns them.

Yet Jesus does not discard Peter. He redirects him. **"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."** In effect, Jesus says, stop trying to lead me. Let me lead you. Discipleship does not begin with heroism or clarity but with surrender. It means trusting that God's path to life often passes through places we would never choose.

Peter is all of us. We move from insight to confusion, from confidence to correction. That is why we should have hope. Jesus patiently teaches us again and again. Trust me. Get behind me. Follow me. When we stop fighting the crosses that come and start carrying them with him, we discover a freedom deeper than comfort and a love stronger than fear.— Father John Muir ©LPI



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Friday, 9/4: First Friday Club 11:00 AM

Saturday, 9/5: Confessions 4:15 PM

Wednesday, 9/9: Faith & Fiction Book Club 10:00 AM

Friday, 9/11: Mass & Memorial Service Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of 9/11

Saturday, 9/12: Bishop Malesic Visit to MoS



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Sue Andrello

Tammy Cozzone

Scott McDonough

Kathleen Tomcik Nicotera

Tricia Ptak

Thomas Boehm

Kelly Jasko

Ken Michalik

James Parihs

Robert Reimer

OUR DEPARTED THAT THEY FIND PEACE

Betty Prussak, Mike Fazioli & deceased of MoS

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 5 - 5:00 PM	Sunday, Sept. 6 - 9:30 AM
Priest: Fr. Kristancic	Priest: Fr. Kristancic
Lector 1: Carol	Lector 1: Diane
Lector 2: Donna	Lector 2: Richard
Server: None	Server: Eliza
EM: Deacon Will	EM: Deacon Will
Choir EM: Frank	Choir EM: Anka
Gifts: Lynda & Ed	Gifts: Diane & George
Porter/Usher: Bill	Porter/Usher: Joe/Judy

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 8/31: Weekday

1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday, 9/1: Weekday

1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday, 9/2: Weekday

1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday, 9/3: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 3:18-23/ Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday, 9/4: Weekday

1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday, 9/5: Weekday

1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

5:00 PM Renee Balinski (Diane & Charles Griffiths)

Sunday, 9/6: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

9:30 AM Frank Nicotera (Nicotera Family)



The Bishop is Coming!

We're so pleased to announce that Bishop Malesic will be coming to MOS to celebrate Mass with us on Saturday, Sept 12 at 5 PM. Please plan to come to Mass on Saturday afternoon that weekend so we can give our Bishop a warm welcome. Following Mass, we will have an outdoor catered reception for him. This is our chance to come together to thank him for allowing us to remain an independent parish under a Presbyteral Moderator. We are asking parishioners to help with the reception by bringing a salad or dessert. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church. If you would prefer to make a cash donation to offset the cost of catering, please place it in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Bishop's Reception." We are hoping to fill our pews on September 12!



FIRST FRIDAY CLUB IN SEPTEMBER FEATURES FR. NORM DOUGLAS

Father Norm Douglas, Pastor of St. Vincent Church, will be speaking on "Reflections on 9/11 — Then & Now" at The First Friday Club of Greater Akron on September 4.

First Friday Club luncheons are held at Our Lady of Cedars on South Cleveland-Massillon Road in Fairlawn. Cost to attend is \$25 at the door, but you must email your reservation to ffcofga@gmail.com. Or you can mail your check to First Friday Club, PO Box 13291, Fairlawn OH 44334. Cost includes a buffet-style lunch. Doors and buffet open at 11. The speaker begins at Noon and the event ends at 1PM.

We can only reserve full tables of 8. If you know for sure that you will attend and want to sit at a MOS table, please call Carol Kamphuis or email her at carolk4mos@gmail.com by August 31. If we do not have eight people reserved, we cannot guarantee seating together.

UNDERSTANDING CATHOLIC PRACTICES: THE COLLECT

Following the Gloria, the priest invites the people to pray. Together, all observe a brief silence so that they may be conscious of the fact that they are in God's presence and may formulate their petitions mentally. Then the priest says the prayer known as the Collect through which the character of the celebration is expressed. In accordance with the ancient tradition of the Church, the Collect is usually addressed to God the Father, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit. It is concluded with a trinitarian ending such as Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. The people, uniting themselves to this prayer, make it their own with the acclamation "Amen."

NOW HIRING: FULL-TIME MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAN

Holy Family Parish in Stow is seeking a full-time Maintenance / Custodian to join our team. For the complete job description and application information please contact:

Janet Long
long@holyfamilystow.org
330.688.6412 ext. 212



YOUR PARISH OFFERING: AUGUST 15 - 16, 2026

	In Pew	On-line	Total	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under)
Sunday Offering	\$737.00	\$378.50	\$1,115.50	\$1,865.00	(\$749.50)
Maintenance Fund	\$0.00	\$51.00	\$51.00	\$140.00	(\$89.00)
Facility Restorations	\$1,090.00	\$5.25	\$1,095.25	\$1,060.00	\$35.25
Other	\$677.00	\$50.50	\$727.50	\$545.00	\$182.50
Total	\$2,504.00	\$485.25	\$2,989.25	\$3,610.00	(\$602.75)