



MOTHER OF SORROWS CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 - 23RD 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

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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 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.



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.



BUILDING RESTORATION FUND

158%



\$260,420

GOSPEL MEDITATION: SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MATTHEW 18:15-20

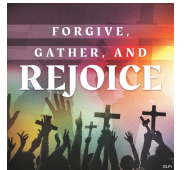
A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily *together* with each other.

That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, "**Go and tell your brother his fault,**" He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, "**If he listens to you, you have won over your brother,**" we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen. — Father John Muir ©LPi



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Wednesday, 9/9: Faith & Fiction Book Club 10:00 AM
Friday, 9/11: Mass & Memorial Service Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of 9/11 at 9:00 AM
Saturday, 9/12: Bishop Malesic Visit to MoS - 5 PM Mass & Reception
Wednesday, 9/30: Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM
Wednesday, 9/30: Parish Council 7:00 PM

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: Anika
Gifts: Lynda & Ed	Gifts: Diane & George
Porter/Usher: Bill	Porter/Usher: Joe/Judy



PLEASE PRAY FOR... OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Sue Andrello
 Tammy Cozzone
 Scott McDonough
 Tricia Ptak

Thomas Boehm
 Kelly Jasko
 Ken Michalik
 Kathleen Tomcik Nicotera

OUR DEPARTED THAT THEY FIND PEACE

Jim Parish & deceased of MoS

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 9/7: Labor Day

1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, 9/8: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday, 9/9: St. Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/ Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, 9/10: Weekday

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38

Friday, 9/11: Patriot Day

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, 9/12: The Most Holy Name of Mary

1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

5:00 PM Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish

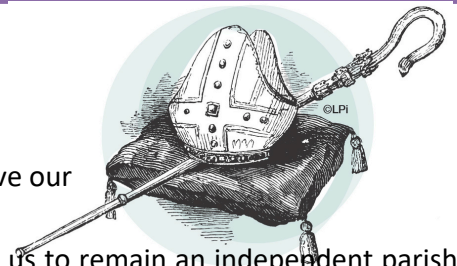
Sunday, 9/13: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

9:30 AM Kathy Schleper (Heather & Tim Knittig)

The Bishop is Coming Next Saturday, Sept. 12!

We're so pleased that Bishop Malesic will be coming to celebrate Mass with us **next Saturday, Sept 12 at 5 PM**. Please plan to come to Mass on Saturday and 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!



UNDERSTANDING CATHOLIC PRACTICES: MIRACULOUS MEDAL

The medal of the Immaculate Conception that has come to be called simply the "Miraculous Medal" dates back to an apparition of Mary to Saint Catherine Laboure, who was then a novice sister with the Daughters of Charity. On November 27, 1830, Our Lady appeared to her standing on a globe, with shafts of light streaming from her hands

and the words, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee," surrounding the image. In the same vision, Catherine saw a capital "M" with a cross above it and below two hearts. Catherine seemed to hear a voice telling her to have what she saw struck as a medal and a promise that those who wore the medal would have the protection and intercession of the Mother of God. The first 1,500 of medals were distributed in 1832. Many miraculous favors were attributed to the use of the medal. Saint Catherine's "Miraculous Medal" is among the recognizable and popular symbols of modern Catholicism. Reflecting on its widespread use, the 2001 Vatican document, "Directory on Popular Piety and Liturgy," observes that the medal "recalls the mystery of Redemption, the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and of the Sorrowful Heart of Mary. It signifies the mediatory role of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mystery of the Church, the relationship between Heaven and earth, this life and eternal life."

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25TH ANNIVERSARY
COMMEMORATING
9/11
We Will Never Forget

25 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE • UNITY • HOPE

9:00 AM
MASS
Mother of Sorrows Church

9:45 AM
OUTDOOR MEMORIAL CEREMONY
In conjunction with PUMC

FOLLOWED BY
LIGHT BREAKFAST
REFRESHMENTS

Everyone is welcome.

YOUR PARISH OFFERING: AUGUST 22 - 23, 2026

	In Pew	On-line	Total	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under)
Sunday Offering	\$1,150.00	\$338.50	\$1,488.50	\$1,865.00	(\$376.50)
Maintenance Fund	\$220.00	\$51.00	\$271.00	\$140.00	\$131.00
Facility Restorations	\$603.00	\$321.50	\$924.50	\$1,060.00	(\$135.50)
Other	\$14.00	\$0.00	\$14.00	\$545.00	(\$531.00)
Total	\$1,987.00	\$711.00	\$2,698.00	\$3,610.00	(\$912.00)