

## **OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH**

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4:00pm Office will be closed on Labour Day Monday, Sept. 4, 2023

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#### Mass Schedule

Weekdays (Monday-Saturday): 9:00am

Saturday Vigil: 5:15pm

Reconciliation Monday: 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Saturday: 4:00pm-5:00pm Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am\*, 11:00am, 12:30pm \*Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 4-10 yrs.)

September 3, 2023

Fr. Chris Cauchi, Pastor

Gordon D. Mansell, M. Mus, Music Director

Call the office for info on:

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Families must be registered, regularly attending Mass, supporting the good works of the church and involved in parish life. Parents are invited to attend a baptism preparation session every third week of the Month.

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

This program is for adults interested in joining the Catholic Church.

#### **Sacrament of Marriage**

Parishioners must be registered and regularly attending Mass. Please contact us one year prior to your requested wedding date.

#### **Pastoral References**

You must be a registered parishioner, attending Sunday Mass regularly, participating in the sacramental and pastoral life of the Church community, be serving in a parish ministry (e.g. lector, catechist) on an on going basis, and be in good canonical standing within the Church.

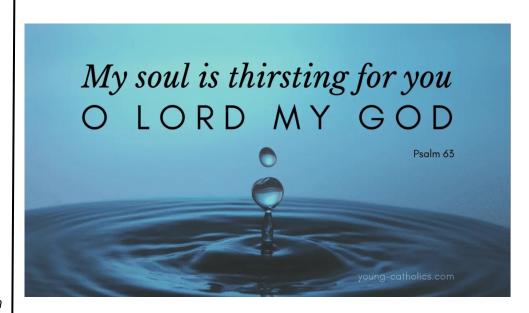
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## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **Reflection Questions:**

- How can I better handle challenges in my life and faith *journey?*
- Do I recognize God's presence in the face of adversity and suffering?
- What can I do to support and bring Jesus to others during difficult times?

## **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

### Welcome to the OLS Team!

Dear Parishioners.

My name is Elise Lee and I am delighted to join the Our Lady of Sorrows staff and community as Lay Pastoral Associate for Family Life.



In my life's journey, I've been fortunate to call many different parts of the world home. My academic, professional and personal journeys have taken me across continents from South Korea and the US to Austria and Germany.

My husband and I have been actively involved in our home parish in the last few years since moving to Toronto and I began to sense a call to family ministry work within me as the chapters of our lives unfolded. It is this calling that has guided me to this parish and to all of you, and for this I am very grateful.

In my role as LPA, I will be focused on building a holistic approach to family ministry – the spiritual, educational and community-based needs of OLS parish. This includes developing programs and events for all types of families to encounter Christ and grow as a community of faith.

As I get started here at OLS, I am excited about the prospect of meeting each and every one of you and getting to know your stories. You can also send me an email at <a href="mailto:elise@sorrows.ca">elise@sorrows.ca</a>. I look forward to seeing you at Mass and at our upcoming events!

#### Save the Date!

Thursday, Sept. 28 - Couples' Night

**Liturgical Bites** - We hope everyone has had a wonderful and safe summer, and enjoyed experiencing the Eucharist at different parishes during your travels.

As we continue with Ordinary Time, we are reminded that Sacred time is never ordinary. Ordinary Time is the longest season of the Church's year. We gather every Sunday to listen to the Word proclaimed and to celebrate the Eucharist.

## Labour Day Schedule - Monday, Sept. 4

- Daily Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am.
- The parish office is closed and will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 9:30am.
- There will be no Adoration & Confessions. Resumes the following Monday, Sept. 11, from 7:00 pm to 8:30pm in the church.

# Stewardship Sunday and OLS Ministry Fair - Sept. 24, 2023

Sharing your individual gifts of time and talent is an act of faith that helps reflect your love for God and neighbour and helps to build our OLS community. There are many ministries at OLS – something for everyone – based on your own personal talents and available time.

Stewardship Sunday is held annually across the entire Archdiocese; this year it will be held on Sunday September 24. Following each Mass that weekend, you are invited to come to the courtyard area at the East Cliveden entrance for the OLS Ministry Fair. The Fair will showcase all our OLS parish ministries so you can learn more and chat with current volunteers. Refreshments will be provided!

## Children's Liturgy of the Word – Sundays at the 9:30am Mass

Beginning Sunday, September 10 we invite our young parishioners aged 4-10 years old to celebrate the children's version of the Liturgy of the Word in the parish hall.

They will hear & talk about the Gospel message at an age-appropriate level.

Registration not required.

We welcome volunteers to help with this ministry! Email Alicia at office@sorrows.ca.

### Sacramental Preparation

The Sacraments of Initiation are significant milestones in the faith journey of our young parishioners. Preparation for initiation is the shared responsibility of the parents, the local Catholic school and the parish community.

**2023/2024 First Communion and Confirmation** registration begins the weekend of September 9/10. Registration package will be available at the back of the church after Mass. Email firstcommunion@sorrows.ca / confirmation@sorrows.ca for inquiries and to volunteer.

The **2023/2024** Religious Education registration is now open. Children who are in grades 1 through 7 attending non-Catholic schools and whose families are registered parishioners are encouraged to register for the classes. Classes are held in person at OLS school every Monday evenings from 7:00pm to 7:40pm. The school year runs from October 2023 to May 2024.

The program is largely volunteer-run, therefore parents are expected to assist in some way. To register and volunteer, visit our website or email ReligiousEd@sorrows.ca.

### Music Ministry at OLS

**Children & Youth Choirs** - Our Lady of Sorrows Parish is pleased to announce that in the Fall we welcome back our Children & Youth Choirs! We invite children who are in grade 3-6 to join the Children's Choir. Those in grades 7-12 are invited to join the Youth Choir. Joining this ministry is a great way to meet other young members of our parish while learning the basics of music and singing which is another form of prayer.



The Children and Youth choirs will be led by Alejandra, our cantor at the Sunday 11:00am & 12:30pm Mass. Alejandra is an experienced opera singer, soloist and teacher. She will provide the children and teens with the necessary training to sing and read music and then conduct them at the 9:30 am Sunday Mass. More details to come.

The **Adult Choir** will continue at the 11:00 am Sunday Mass. To enquire about joining the adult choir, please contact Gordon (call or text) at 416-571-3680 or <a href="mailto:gdmansell@sympatico.ca">gdmansell@sympatico.ca</a>.

## OLS Weekly Drop-in Bridge Resumes on Thursday September 7

Join us in the Parish Hall meeting room from 1-3pm. Partners are not required. Contact Gail Weiler at 416-889-1331 or Rena Guerard at 416-236-0728 for further information.

## Taste of the Kingsway - Sept. 8-10

The <u>Taste of the Kingsway</u> is an annual street festival that takes place on Bloor St. West (between Prince Edward Drive and Montgomery Road).

While the church parking lot will remain open, please plan your attendance at Mass accordingly.

## September 4 to 10

Mass Intentions

Mon. †Norbert Mittelholtz by Theresa Byrne

Tues. Int. of Archbishop Leo by Ursula Matthews

**Wed.** †Bob & †Marg Armstrong by Ronayne O'Connor

Thurs. †John Matthews by Lou-Anne Haier

Fri. †John Matthews by Anthony & Stase

Sat †Niv Sparks by Anique Asher

Sat. 5:15pm †Frank Kielty by Roberta Clough

Sun. 8am †Czeslawa Ptasznyk by Traer Family

**9:30am** Parish Intentions

**11:00am** †William C. Schreiner by Lori & Wayne

**12:30pm** Int. Passionist Nuns by Olivia Torres



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