

OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

An Ever-Growing Beacon of God's Love, Hope and Joy for All

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays (Monday to Saturday): 9:00 am Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am*, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm *Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 4-10 yrs.)
Rosary is prayed Monday to Saturday at 8:25 am

Adoration

Mondays 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Reconciliation

Monday: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Saturday: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

By appointment - call the parish office

September 7, 2025

Fr. Chris Cauchi, *Pastor*Angelica Chacon, *Family Life Minister*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.

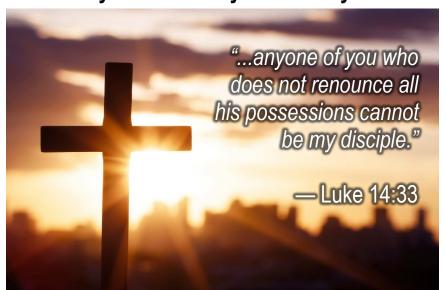
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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Gospel today gives us a tough message to swallow. Discipleship isn't just a title; it requires sacrifice and commitment. Jesus calls us to make the choice: to put Him first, or our family, friends, and worldly possessions.

If we love anything more than Him, we risk falling into temptation and not being fully committed to God. Jesus invites us to trust Him and let go of anything that keeps us from walking in His way.

Reflection questions:

- What does it mean to carry my cross in my daily life?
- How does putting Jesus first affect my relationships with others?
- What are some things I need to give up in order to follow Jesus completely?

Find readings here: readings.livingwithchrist.ca

Welcome Back! We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer and had an opportunity to experience Mass and the Eucharist at different parishes during your travels.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS



Parish 85th Anniversary Mass & BBQ | Sunday, Sept 14, 12:30 pm

The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is celebrated on Sept. 15. In honour of the parish's 85th Anniversary, the celebration will take place on Sunday, Sept. 14 at the 12:30 pm Mass. His Excellency, Bishop Ivan Camilleri, Auxiliary Bishop of the Western Region, will be the principal celebrant. Join fellow parishioners for a BBQ after the Mass, with fun activities for the children!



Music Ministries Join the OLS Children's Choir

Now in its 3rd year, Ms Ale leads 25+ singers in learning beautiful and fun music, serving the 9:30

am Mass every week starting Sept. 28th. Rehearsals start Thursday, Sept. 11th at 4pm in the Parish Hall! No singing experience required. Fun socials and outings throughout the year.

Ages 6-19. Register: <u>bit.ly/olschoir</u> Email Ms. Ale: <u>aballon2@gmail.com</u>

Liturgy of the Word with Children Sundays at 9:30 am Mass

Welcome back! Parishioners ages 4-10 can now reflect on Gospel readings adapted to their level of understanding. After the opening hymn, they are invited to the parish hall. No registration required! Parents: we also invite you to help! To volunteer in this ministry, contact Angelica: familylife@sorrows.ca

An Invitation: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Is God calling you to the Catholic Church?
Are you baptized in another denomination and would like to be received into the Catholic Church? Are you an un-catechized, baptized Catholic that wants to finish your initiation and celebrate the sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist?

RCIA prepares individuals to be received into the Catholic Church. Candidates are invited to explore and deepen their relationship with God, harnessing their gifts in service to the parish and broader world. For details, contact Gabriella at 647-933-3705 or gabriella@sorrows.ca

SAVE THE DATES

Mom's Group: Pray & Play | Sept. 16, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Blessing of Pets | Oct. 4 Alpha | Begins Oct. 14 Bible Study | resumes on Oct. 18



The Society of St Vincent de Paul can accept e-transfer donations!



You can now donate to ols.ssvdp.treasurer@gmail.com via e-transfer. Tax receipts are issued for donations of \$25 or more, if you include your full name and address in the message box. Thank you for your support!

Thank You from Chalice

Chalice thanks our parish for hosting the July 12–13 Child Sponsorship Weekend. Thanks to your generosity, 19 children in need were sponsored! Learn more or sponsor today at chalice.ca or call 1-800-776-6855.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Seeds of Hope 2025

OLS Social Justice Group will be gratefully accepting both homegrown and store-bought produce at weekend Masses on **Sept. 20 & 21.** All donations will be given locally to the Mabelle Food Program. Let's try to beat last year's record harvest!

Truth and Reconciliation Public Gathering

Join us on **Sept. 30, 12 pm** at the Campfire sculpture, Humber Bay Shores Park, to honour the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Featuring Chief Claire Sault of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Hosted by

Eculinks and Kairos. Contact: info@eculinks.ca



Sacramental Preparation & Religious Education Update

Parents and quardians, please note the following important changes:

First Reconciliation & First Communion All children—whether or not they attend Catholic school—must register for the parish's sacramental preparation program. Attendance in Religious Education (RE) is not required. Regular Sunday Mass participation is strongly encouraged. Info & registration: bit.ly/3JPAehx

Confirmation

Children not enrolled in Catholic school are not required to attend RE in addition to the Confirmation program. Sunday Mass attendance remains strongly encouraged. Info & registration: bit.ly/483tSoN

Religious Education Program Discontinued We extend heartfelt thanks to all who have volunteered over the years. Children are now invited to attend Sunday Mass with their families and join the Liturgy of the Word with Children at the 9:30 am Mass (Starting Sept. 21, will also be offered at the 12:30 pm Mass). Parishioners ages 4-10 who do not attend Catholic school are also encouraged to join 9:30 am Mass and stay afterward for continued formation alongside peers preparing for Sacraments or reception into the Church.

Why These Changes?

- To align with archdiocesan and neighbouring parish practices.
- To emphasize family participation in Sunday
- To empower parents as primary faith educators.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to your child's faith journey.

We are looking for **volunteer catechists** to help teach our younger parishioners in our First Communion and Confirmation programs. You don't need to be an expert, we will help train you! Please contact the parish office at office@sorrows.ca or 416-231-6016.



Are you a mother praying MILLIONS for a child who has drifted MONICAS from the faith? You are not Inspired by St. alone.

FOR THE WEEK

Monica, this weekly prayer group gathers mothers of all ages to intercede for their children before the Blessed Sacrament. Wednesdays, 7:30 - 8:30 pm in the church.

Baptism Preparation for School-Aged Children

Families whose children have reached their 6th birthday and have not yet been Baptized can learn more about this process at OLS. Contact baptism@sorrows.ca or Gabriella in the parish office.

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

The PAG program allows parishioners to make a single monthly donation through their bank account or by credit card to cover weekly offertory and/or special collections.

OLS Knitting Circle | Tuesdays 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Held in the parish hall to knit clothing for babies in need. Contact Helen at 416-239-2274 for more information.

Weekly Drop-in Bridge | Thursdays 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm Held in the parish hall meeting room. Partners not required. Contact Gail Weiler: 416-889-1331 or Rena Guerard: 416-236-0728 for more information.

September 8 to 14

Mon. †Leslie & †Anne Carol Sharples by family

†Paula Prajza by OLS staff Tue.

Wed. †Concetta Garisto by Cathy & Paul Temple

Thu. †Desmond McCann by Christine McCann & family

†Margaret & John Reilly by Christine McCann & Fri. family

Sat. †Nely Pereira by Germana Periera

†Ramon Pazos by Anique Asher

†Debbie Howie by Donna

†Andrew Trzeciakiewicz by family

†Peter Paul Salerno by family

†Tusia Jasinski by Lily Boraks & Jasinski family

Sat. 5:15 pm †Frank Ferkul Jr. by Faoumata Kebe

Sun. 8:00 am †Abdulali Mansouri by Mansouri family

9:30 am †Rita Antonacci by family

11:00 am †Paolo Ferrante by Ferrante family

12:30 pm Parish Intentions



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