

Mother of Sorrows Parish

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time • January 24, 2021

Registration: You are welcome to register in the parish after any Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) Between 4:00 and 4:30 p.m. on Saturday & after any Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months in advance of the wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or hospitalization, please notify the Parish Office.

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Couple Ministry – Call Rose at 216-334-2973 or Jane at 216-334-2978

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Pre-Cana Programs – Marriage Preparation, Call Jane at 216-334-2978

Natural Family Planning Classes – Call Kathy Patton at 216-334-2973

Separated & Divorce Ministry and Step-parenting
Call Carol Petro at 216-334-2975

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Find the latest marriage theology, news and resources at the U.S. Bishops website for engaged and married couples

Pro-Life Office (www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/prolife)
Call Peggy Gerovac at 216-334-2965

World Wide Marriage Encounter (www.wwme.org)
Call 1-800-795-LOVE (5683) or 330-305-9963

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of Mother of Sorrows Parish, established in 1882, Christ centered and empowered by the Holy Spirit, dedicate ourselves to serve the needs of all by liturgical worship and parish ministries.



From the Pastor's Desk

In Mark's Gospel at this weekend's Liturgy Jesus proclaims the Kingdom. He tells us to *repent and believe in the Gospel*. He invites Andrew and his brother Simon, James and John to follow Him. They are to leave everything behind and follow Jesus. What about you and me? Do we hear the preaching of Jesus today? *The Kingdom of God is at hand!* Do we listen and believe? Are we changing our ways and leaving behind what hinders us in following Jesus? How are we allowing God to *direct our actions* that we may *abound in good works*? Let us pray...

Almighty every-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

Collect, Third Sunday In Ordinary Time, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

Pope's Intention for January

Human fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.
Amen.

In your Charity

Please remember in your prayers The Reverend Richard Birtchell, Senior priest-retired and Bishop William Fey, OFM Capacian. May Bishop Fey, Father Birtchell and all have gone before us in faith, live for ever in the joy of the Resurrection. May their family and friends be consoled. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Parish Schedule and Mass Intentions

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| January 23 | Saturday: <i>Weekday (2); St. Vincent, Deacon, Martyr, St. Marianne Cope, Virgin</i> |
| 4:00pm | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| 5:00pm | Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) |
| January 24 | The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 8:30am | Mass (<i>Casey John Rogalski, d. 1/7/2021</i>) |
| 11:00am | Mass (<i>Perez Family</i>) |
| January 25 | Monday: <i>The Conversion of Saint Paul, The Apostle</i> |
| 8:30am | Mass (<i>David Holly, PGK</i>) |
| January 26 | Tuesday: <i>Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops</i> |
| 8:30am | Mass (<i>All Souls</i>) |
| January 27 | Wed: <i>Weekday (3); St. Angela Merici, Virgin</i> |
| January 28 | Thursday: <i>Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church</i> |
| 8:30am | Mass (<i>Reverend Francis Bednar, 1/21/1999</i>) |
| January 29 | Friday: <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time (3)</i> |
| 8:30am | Mass (<i>Maria Francesca, d. 1/22/1967</i>) |
| January 30 | Saturday: <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time (3)</i> |
| 4:00pm | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| 5:00pm | Mass (<i>Andy Sanford, b. 1/30/1932</i>) |
| January 31 | The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 8:30am | Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) |
| 11:00am | Mass (<i>Lola Vincent, d. 4/4/2020</i>) |

Please pray for ...



Ann, Richard Bennett, Terry Balinski, Ruby Beshara, Wayne Beshara, Celia Bican, Logan Boone, Susan Bormet, Caleb Bruce, Delia Chatigny, Gabrielle Citino, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook, Gary Crowe, Maribeth Derer, Jody Dagg, John Dutton, Scott Ensign, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging, Evelyn Goris-Trecaso, Richard J. Grabowski, Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes, Eileen Herrman, Tayha Hostetler, Sharon Houska, Alaina Jaegers, Jill, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Kay, Evan Kelly, Douglas Klubnik, Kenneth Klubnik, Helen Kracker, Drayden Lavere, Carol Leach, Johnny Levanduski, Patricia Liebenaurer, Bill and Nancy Lillyman, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Melissa, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, John Moore, Connie Morehouse, Ashley Munoz, Antoinette Myers, Natalie, Nate, Collin Nemet, Jared Newman, Noa, Frank Nicotera, Carroll O'Donnell, Adriana Padock, Richard Edward Parker, Penelope, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Bruce Pohl, Rita, Helen Rhuling, Lynn Riley, Eric Rogalski, Aggie Rohan, Bruno Ruppel, Sandy, Kathy Scott, Steve Sheets, Stefanie, Stephen Sommer, Shirley Southard, Kenny Starr, Amy Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Adriana Tadlock, Diane Taninecz, Ginny Thompson, Robert Timko, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Mallory Trecaso, Meghann Trecaso, Paul Trecaso, Loretta Uranker, Thomas Wearsch, Patricia Wiatrowski, and all need of prayerful support. Requests or changes please call 330-657-2631 or email mospenoh@windstream.net.

Sunday, Jan 24, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrate, study, share

The timing seemed right. In September 2019, on the 1,600th anniversary of scripture scholar Saint Jerome's death, Pope Francis launched a new observance on the church calendar. Today's "Sunday of the Word of God" is deliberately placed within the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. All who follow Jesus are invited to unite around the happy gift of our sacred story contained in the Bible's pages. On this occasion, we celebrate, study, and spread these good words we never possess merely for ourselves. Enthroned the Bible in your home—and heart.

TODAY'S READINGS: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20 (68). *"The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel."*

Monday, Jan 25, 2021

FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

Turn things around

It is arguably the biggest about-face in history: Paul goes from passionately persecuting Christians to converting to Christianity and becoming one of its most important champions. And it's a hard-to-beat conversion story: falling off a horse and encountering the risen Lord. But it's a story that happens in the hearts of Christians all the time: Life knocks you down while going the wrong way, and you're not ready, willing, or able to see the truth—and then somehow Jesus changes everything. By the grace of God, it happens to you again and again. Paul is proof that it's never too late, that you've never made too many mistakes, that you're never too far gone to keep turning yourself around.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18 (519). *"Repent, and believe in the gospel."*

Tuesday, Jan 26, 2021

MEMORIAL OF TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS

Seek good companions for the journey

We honor Timothy and Titus one day after the conversion of Saint Paul. For Paul, once converted, wasted no time in spreading the gospel and relied on many to help with his missionary work. Few of his companions were as key—or as beloved—as Timothy and Titus. Paul gave them the toughest assignments, and his letters to them are the only ones addressed to fellow missionaries that are included in the Bible. In those epistles, Paul refers to them as "my dear child" and "my true child in our common faith"—reminders that all become brothers and sisters through Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 1:1-8 OR Titus 1:1-5; Mark 3:31-35 (520; Gospel 318). *"Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."*

Wednesday, Jan 27, 2021

Never forget

On this day in 2005, the 60th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz concentration camp, the United Nations established International Holocaust Remembrance Day. With firm resolve to educate future generations about the horrors of the Holocaust, this annual event is a clarion call never to forget the Nazi atrocities that claimed the lives of 6 million Jews and millions more others. U.N. Secretary General Antonio Guterres warns that

it would be a "dangerous error to think of the Holocaust as simply the result of the insanity of a group of criminal Nazis." It happened because of the "millennia of hatred, scapegoating, and discrimination targeting the Jews." Pray today for grace to choose love rather than hate, to choose inclusion rather than discrimination.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:11-18; Psalm 110; Mark 4:1-20 (319). *"Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool."*

Thursday, Jan 28, 2021

MEMORIAL OF THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST, RELIGIOUS, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Let your light shine

How apt that the gospel on today's memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas encourages us to let our light shine. This saint's light was his powerful intellect, and it still shines brightly today. His theological writings, particularly *Summa Theologiae*, continue to have tremendous impact on the church. One of his lasting insights is that faith and reason both come from God, and Christian doctrine is not at odds with rational thought. In honor of this doctor of the church with his relentlessly probing mind, take time to sharpen your own understanding of a faith-related issue.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 4:21-25 (320). *"Is a lamp brought in to be placed under a bushel basket . . . and not to be placed on a lampstand?"*

Friday, Jan 29, 2021

Make an offer

"Offer it up" is a phrase that seems baked into our Catholic tradition. Often it comes out at times when we are at a loss from the complexities and pain of suffering, which can leave us hopeless, scared, and lonely. After months of social distancing, mourning deaths, job and school closures, and holidays spent alone, we are all in a kind of personal and corporate space of suffering. We are invited to truly *offer*, that is, to *give* ourselves into the care of others and into the loving embrace of Jesus the Christ who also has known suffering intimately. What do you need to offer up and how can you lovingly embrace others' offerings of themselves?

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:32-39; Mark 4:26-34 (321). *"We are not among those who draw back and perish, but among those who have faith and will possess life."*

Saturday, Jan 30, 2021

All that I have is yours

Inheritance is a big deal in the Bible. Not so much legal inheritance, though that is mentioned, but theological inheritance, the gifts God bestows on the community of faith—the people of Israel—and later, in the New Testament, to the followers of Christ. We all share in that inheritance, that "holy ground" promised so long ago to Abraham and his descendants. How will you put your inheritance to use? Will you pass it on to others, or will it end with you? How you invest your time, talent, and treasure will determine the answer to that question.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Mark 4:35-41 (322). *"By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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24 January 2021

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus approaches his first disciples, Simon and Andrew, with an interesting proposition: leave your fishing nets and lives by the sea and turn your attention toward catching people in the net of God's love. Jesus is being a spiritual mentor to Simon and Andrew in this gospel passage. The responsorial psalm implores, "teach me your ways, O Lord." Who have been the spiritual mentors and guides who have helped you learn the ways of God? How do you live our spirituality in daily family life?



Universal prayer

For those imprisoned by addiction, that by God's grace, may they be freed from illness of body, mind and spirit. Let us pray to Lord. Amen.

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In-Person - Sunday, January 31**

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See "Take Five For Faith" insert for this week's Sunday and daily Mass Scriptures.
*Read and pray daily
the Scriptures!*

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Requests for 2020 Donation Summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email address and envelope number.

Prayer to St. Joseph

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.*

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We at AM 1260 The Rock pray daily for the intentions of our listeners. Please call us at 216-227-1260 or email prayers@am1260therock.com with your prayer requests.
The nuns at Christ the Bridegroom are our prayer partners and pray for and with you.

Beloved and Blessed

with Kimberly Hahn

Kimberly Hahn, wife, mother, grandmother, author, and speaker offers experience, hope and strength for women in all walks of life. Her new program, "Beloved and Blessed" airs on Sundays at 9:00 pm on AM 1260 The Rock and her focus in trust in God. Couldn't we all use a little hope and trust in God during these tumultuous times! Please tune in to AM1260 The Rock, download our app or listen online at www.am1260therock.com for Kimberly's program.

LATIN AMERICA - EL SALVADORE

This weekend, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, rural terrain and a lack of ministers are obstacles to practicing their faith. Your support to the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs to help share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america

Thank you for mailing in your contributions!

The Weekend of January 17, 2021

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