

MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH



OUR 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.*

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JULY 20, 2025 • 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STAFF

Presbyteral Moderator: Reverend Michael P. McCandless

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PARISH OFFICE

Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

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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.

RECONCILIATION: Anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGE: Fridays at 5:00 PM, Saturdays until 3:00 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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM

Holy Days/Holidays: See schedule in bulletin.

Liturgical Minister Scheduling: Email Diane Griffiths at dianeg4mos@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.

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.

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.

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.

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.



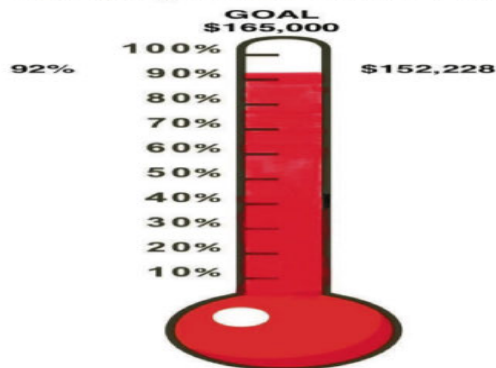
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<https://osvhub.com/motherofsorrowspeninsula/giving/funds>

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Building Restoration Fund





MASS READINGS

MONDAY, 7/21: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

TUESDAY, 7/22: St. Mary Magdalene

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

WEDNESDAY, 7/23: St. Bridget, Religious

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

THURSDAY, 7/24: St. Sharbel Makhlûf, Priest

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

FRIDAY, 7/25: St. James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

SATURDAY, 7/26: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30

SUNDAY, 7/27: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 26 — 5:00 PM

Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish

Sunday, July 27 — 9:30 AM

Donna Thoreson (Karen Fox & Jerry Casteel)



Those who are sick and suffering

Terry Balinski, Brian & Karen Becker, Laura Camp, Kelly Jasko, Judy Lahoski, Matt Leifer, Becky Nadeau, Jerry O'Donnell, Nancy Stohlman & Pam Whitney

& for those who have passed away including

Therese Slenn and Christopher Singel



St. Bridget Prayers, Explained!

St. Bridget of Sweden (d. 1373) was a noblewoman of the Middle Ages whose renowned mysticism centered on the passion of Christ. A mother of eight and an attendant at the royal court in Sweden, as a widow she founded the Order of the Most Holy Savior, advocated for reform in the church and for the return of the Pope to Rome from France.

The St. Bridget Prayers refer to 15 prayers attributed to Bridget which evoke the imagery of Christ's suffering and death, plead for the forgiveness of the suppliant's sins, for a happy death, for fear and love of the Lord, and for a renunciation of worldly desires.

For many years, these prayers were associated with divine promises, though in 1954 the Catholic Church declared that it could not be said that these promises were of supernatural origin. The prayers themselves remain beloved and popular devotions to Christ's passion.

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Prayer for Focus

Lord, help me to remember what matters and who matters.

And then help me to prioritize rightly and wisely, with Your heaven as my guide.

Amen.

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Your Parish Offering

	In Pew	On-line
	7/5-7/6	7/5-7/6
Sunday Offering	\$733.00	\$403.95
Maintenance Fund	\$165.00	\$76.00
Facility Restor/Rep	\$1,648.00	\$211.25
Candle Money	\$8.50	\$0.00
Mass Intentions	\$40.00	\$0.00
Peter's Pence	\$45.00	\$0.00
Total	\$2,639.50	\$691.20
Total Collected		\$3,330.70



GOSPEL MEDITATION:

July 20, 2025
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 10:38-42

One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, "What does he do up there all day? Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he...he is doing nothing! What a waste." The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week's gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hardworking and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the **"one necessary thing."** He praises her for she **"has chosen the better part"** (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work—domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative—is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the "better part" of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer—they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary.

— Father John Muir

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REMEMBER AND HONOR

MOTHER OF SORROWS is planning to honor our local First Responders at 5PM Mass on Saturday, Sept 13. Following Mass, we will host a small reception for everyone who would like to attend.

In order to make this event a success and show our First Responders how much we appreciate their service, we need your help! A Committee is being formed and needs to begin work now. If you are able to help in any way (set up, clean up, food prep, etc), please reach out to Carol Kamphuis at carolk4mos@gmail.com, Diane Griffiths at dianeg4mos@gmail.com, or Liz Yoho at willnlizyoho@gmail.com.

We are also happy to accept any cash donations to assist in the cost of the event. Donations can be placed in the collection basket marked "First Responders Reception" or checks can be made payable to MOS, with the attention line "First Responders Reception."

Thanks in advance for supporting our First Responders!



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The FEST has opportunities to come together in prayer and reflection, along with Adoration and Confession.

The day closes with a beautiful outdoor Mass with Bishop Malesic at 8 pm followed by an amazing American Fireworks Display.

There's something for everyone at The FEST. Join us!

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