

# 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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**SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 • 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## PARISH STAFF

**Presbyteral Moderator:** Reverend Michael P. McCandless

**Parish Life Coordinator:** Deacon William Yoho

**Director of Music:** Darlene Bednarz [darlenebednarz@gmail.com](mailto:darlenebednarz@gmail.com)

**Parish Assistant:** Diane Griffiths [dianeg4mos@gmail.com](mailto:dianeg4mos@gmail.com)

## PARISH OFFICE

### Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

**Parish Office:** 330-657-2631

**Deacon Will Yoho:** 330-620-0992

6034 S. Locust Street, Peninsula, OH 44264

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### Website:

[www.motherofsorrowspeninsula.org](http://www.motherofsorrowspeninsula.org)

## 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 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](mailto: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 [motherofsorrowsscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:motherofsorrowsscheduling@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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:SVDPofSTBARNABAS@gmail.com). Responses to messages



**ONLINE  
GIVING**

Please consider OSV Online Giving for weekly contributions: You can access the eGiving portal at

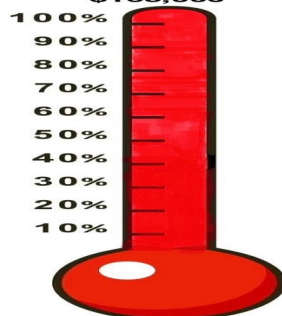
<https://osvhub.com/motherofsorrowspeninsula/giving/funds>

**Thank you for your GENEROSITY! We surpassed the goal!**

## Building Restoration Fund

**GOAL  
\$165,000**

**114 %**



**\$187,887**



**BUT NOW HE IS  
COMFORTED  
HERE.**

LUKE 16:25

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## MASS READINGS

**MONDAY, 9/29: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**  
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/  
Jn 1:47-51

**TUESDAY, 9/30: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**  
Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56

**WEDNESDAY, 10/1: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**  
Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

**THURSDAY, 10/2: The Holy Guardian Angels**  
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 (458)/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**FRIDAY, 10/3: Weekday**  
Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16

**SATURDAY, 10/4: St. Francis of Assisi**  
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

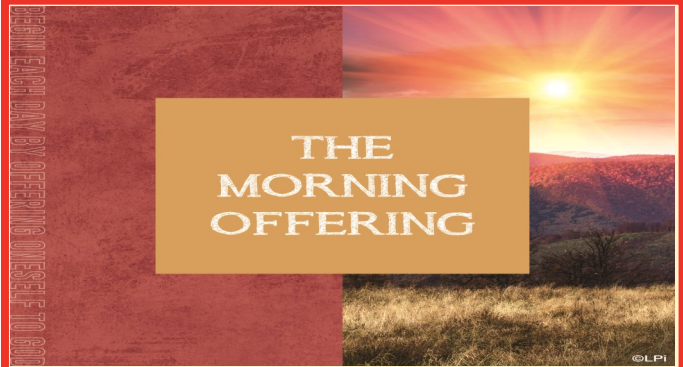
**SUNDAY, 10/5: 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday**  
Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

## MASS+ INTENTIONS

**Saturday, October 4 — 5:00 PM**  
Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish  
**Sunday, October 5 — 9:30 AM**  
Frank Nicotera (Annette Nicotera)



**Pray for those who are sick and suffering**  
Brian & Karen Becker, Laura Camp, Kelly Jasko,  
John Mazenec, Scott McDonough, Megan,  
Ken Michalik, & Nancy Stohlman  
**& for those who have passed away including**  
Ben Brandt



### Morning Offering, Explained!

There are many variations of the Morning Offering, but all share the same purpose: to begin each day by offering oneself to God, along with all the experiences, struggles and blessings that the day will bring.

The ancient Israelites practiced the *bikkurim* ("first fruits") as described in Deuteronomy, chapter 26. This was a ritual by which the first fruits of the harvest were offered back to God in a sacrificial act of gratitude and obedience. The theology behind the Morning Offering is similar: giving to God the first moments of each day.

The most traditional form of the Morning Offering, attributed to Fr. François-Xavier Gautrelet, begins "O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart..." A full version of this text can be found at [usccb.org/prayers/morning-offering](http://usccb.org/prayers/morning-offering).

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### Your Parish Offering September 20-21, 2025

	In Pew	On-line	Total	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under)
Sunday Offering	\$1,187.00	\$353.95	1,540.95	1,859.00	(318.05)
Maintenance Fund	\$50.00	\$51.00	101.00	358.00	(257.00)
Facility Restor/Rep	\$148.00	\$231.50	379.50	578.00	(198.50)
Other	\$42.00	\$0.00	42.00	285.00	(243.00)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,427.00</b>	<b>\$636.45</b>	<b>2,063.45</b>	<b>3,080.00</b>	<b>(1,016.55)</b>



**GOSPEL MEDITATION:**

September 28, 2025  
26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Luke 16:19-31

I am embarrassed to admit that I frequently find myself dining and socializing with people who have millions and sometimes billions of dollars. I've eaten more caviar, lobster and wagyu steak than most people on the planet. I justify it by saying it's part of my job. But I have seven pairs of nice jeans and expensive shoes.

So it is rather uncomfortable to hear Our Lord say: **"My child, remember that you received what was good in your lifetime, while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented" (Luke 16:25).** Fellow rich people (and if you're American, you're rich), do we not vehemently though quietly object to this parable's karma-esque reward system? Why bless the rich man just to curse him later? And curse Lazarus just to bless him later? So Americans go to hell, while Burundians and Afghans go to heaven? What is going on?

One clue is that the condemned rich man doesn't complain of injustice. Rather, he simply begs to help his brothers to repent. Of what? We don't know exactly. Perhaps another clue is that the rich man now seems more like the downtrodden Lazarus. He knows what it is to be hungry and thirsty, to be wounded in the gutter; that he deserved *that*, not fancy meals and clothes. Maybe the rich man finally understands how to receive true blessings, but it is too late for him. But not for me. Not for us.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

**Prayer for the Sick**

For those in pain and in sorrow, God be their comfort.  
For caretakers and medical staff, God give them grace.  
Surround those afflicted with Your love, care, & mercy,  
You who are our healing and hope.

Amen.  
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***Congratulations to Deacon Will Yoho!!***  
***Recipient of Knights of Columbus***  
***Religious Person of the Year Award!***



Join us after Saturday Mass next week for our Snacking Saturday!

Spend a few minutes socializing with parishioners, catching up with those we know & making some new friends!!

*Good people of Mother of Sorrows, your help is needed in the capacities of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers (as reviewed and approved by Deacon Will), Servers and those who bring up the gifts at Mass. All are the Lord's work, and MoS is here for you in roles requiring training. The time commitment averages once per month on your preferred weekend day and working within your schedule.*



Email Liturgical Scheduler Betty Derrer at [motherofsorrowsscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:motherofsorrowsscheduling@gmail.com).



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