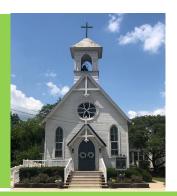
MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH



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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OCTOBER 12, 2025 • 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STAFF

Presbyteral Moderator: Reverend Michael P. McCandless

Parish Life Coordinator: Deacon William Yoho

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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

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Email: mospeninsula@gmail.com

Website:

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.



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

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

Thank you for your GENEROSITY! We surpassed the goal!

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

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.





Mother of Sorrows Peninsula, Ohio



MASS READINGS

MONDAY, 10/13: Columbus Day; Indigenous Peoples' Day Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-32

TUESDAY, 10/14: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY, 10/15: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46

THURSDAY, 10/16: St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Lk 11:47-54

FRIDAY, 10/17: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

SATURDAY, 10/18: St. Luke, Evangelist 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9

SUNDAY, 10/19: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/ 2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8



Wednesday, October 15 — 9:00 AM
Deceased of Mother of Sorrows Parish
Saturday, October 18 — 5:00 PM
Michael Aldrich (Carolyn Hawkins)
Sunday, October 19 — 9:30 AM
Ronnie Sharp (Donna Thoreson)



Pray for those who are sick and suffering

Brian & Karen Becker, Jared Boehm, Laura Camp, Kelly Jasko, Jack Mahne, John Mazenec, Scott McDonough, Ken Michalik, Nancy Stohlman & Megan

& for those who have passed away including Ben Brandt , Kathy Scott & John Randall

Collection Information for Oct. 4—5 will appear in next week's bulletin.



There will be a collection **this weekend**, Oct. 11-12 for the St. Vincent de Paul Blanket Drive. Your donation allows the society to make bulk purchases of blankets, beds & other winter essentials for the poor in our diocese.

Ozanam Center Volunteers Needed

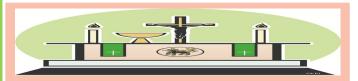
Mother of Sorrows has been volunteering at the St. Vincent DePaul Ozanam Center since 2007 when it opened. The Oz center as it is



called, located at 93 Kent St. Akron 44305, is a food and clothing bank located on the grounds of the Visitation of Mary parish in East Akron. It is staffed by a site manager and a weekly group of rotating parish volunteers from churches around Akron area. MOS volunteers on the first Saturday of each month. It is a beautiful opportunity to spend time serving the needs of others and meeting parishioners from other parishes in our area.

Volunteers can work from 9:15 to noon in a variety of ways: unpacking donations, sizing adult, children's and infants' clothing, distributing socks and undergarments, and supporting food distribution to the needy. Clients line up outside the building and enter the building on a metered basis to allow everyone time to browse household items, clothing choices and the popular shoe display.

MoS' next weekend to serve is November 1st. Join a friendly group of SVdP volunteers as we strive to improve the lives of others in need. It's in giving that we receive. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me..." Matthew 25:35



Our monthly **Weekday Mass** will take place on **Wednesday, October 15 at 9 AM**. We will pray the Sorrowful Mother Rosary promptly at 8:30 AM. Please join us!

Join us on St. Carlo Acutis' very first Feast Day, **Sunday, October 12th at 7:00 p.m.** in church for a reading of the new short play <u>Carlo and Francis in the Real</u> <u>Presence</u> by James McGuire. This is the play's first presentation



and features two teen actors from St. Hilary Players in Fairlawn, followed by a discussion and Eucharistic Adoration. Admission is free.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



GOSPEL MEDITATION:

October 12, 2025 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 17:11-19

Dorothy Day, the great Catholic activist, doubted God's existence. At least in her early adult years. But something changed when after giving birth to her daughter, she experienced an overwhelming gratitude. She later described how, as she held her daughter, the only appropriate response was a kind of unlimited gratitude. She had done nothing to deserve such a gift — this tiny, miraculous life — but there she was, flooded with gratitude, completely undone by the love of such a Giver.

Something similar occurs in Luke 17:19 when Jesus tells a healed leper, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." This man had already received physical healing through his faith. But the moment of an even deeper transformation came when he turned back, fell at Jesus' feet, and gave thanks. Like Dorothy, this man's gratitude led him to encounter the Giver.

Isn't that what we want, too? Gratitude to God has the power to break our chains of sadness, bitterness, and disenchantment. It empowers us to step out of the prison of self-pity and into the reality of God's abundant love. It shifts our focus from what we lack to what we have received, from what wounds us to what heals us.

Where do we learn this? The Mass. The priest prays: "It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks." Always. Everywhere. Not just when life is easy. Not just when prayers are answered as we expect. Gratitude is not a passive feeling; it is an act of faith. In the eucharist, we remember that Christ himself has given everything for us. And in this act of gratitude, we are healed.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

BOOKS & BAGS FOR CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY!

On the weekends of October 11-12 and 18-19, we will be collecting gently used books and purses or wallets for the Christ Child Society of Akron's annual Holiday Boutique on November 22. Adult and children's hardcover and paper-



back books that are in good condition are needed; as well as those stylish purses that you no longer use. Please place them in



the bins located in the vestibule of the Church. Anyone interested in more information on the work of the Christ Child Society or in becoming a member can contact christchildsocietyakron.org.

GRIEVING PARENTS MASS

On October 25 at 5PM we will have a special Mass to honor Grieving Parents in the loss of their children due to early or untimely death, miscarriage, abortion, addictions, estrange-



ment, court order, abandonment, or any other possible scenario that painfully separates parent from child. This Mass is open to all people of all parishes and denomina-

open to all people of all parishes and denominations. Please join us in supporting and wrapping our arms around our grieving brothers and sisters.



HELP SUPPORT OUR VETERANS On Oct 25-26 and Nov 1-2, we will be collecting new items for men and women veterans at the VA Medical Center in Cleveland. The greatest needs are: sweat pants (no drawstrings), sweat shirts and zipped sweat jackets as the patients have a hard time putting on hoodies (sizes L, XL, and 2XL). Winter jackets (all sizes), scarves/gloves/hats, T-shirts (all-sizes), underwear (all sizes), and tennis shoes (sizes 9-13) are also appreciated. All items should be New. In addition, personal care items including disposable safety razors, toothpaste, tooth brushes, alcoholfree lotion, shaving cream/gel, deodorant (men/women), feminine hygiene products, and combs/brushes are appreciated. Please place your donations in the bins at the entrance of the church.

Everything will be delivered on time for Veteran's Day.

Remembering Our Beloved Deceased

On Saturday, November 1 at 5 pm Mass, we will to remember our deceased loved ones who have passed away during the past year. During our intercessions, as their name is sung, you will be invited to come forward to light a candle from the paschal candle and place it in front of the altar. If you have lost a loved one since Nov. 1, 2024, please print their name and date of death on the information sheet found in the gathering area of the church.

As Catholics we know that our loved ones are with us as part of the Communion of Saints, especially during the Mass. With that in mind, we invite you to bring a small picture of your loved one to place on the windowsill of the church. The

pictures can remain on the sills until the weekend before Thanksgiving.

