# **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 26, 2025 • 30TH 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

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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.



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

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#### **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 <a href="mailto:carolk4mos@gmail.com">carolk4mos@gmail.com</a> 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 <u>SVDPofSTBARNABAS@gmail.com</u>. Responses to messages are usually made within 48 hours.



Mother of Sorrows Peninsula, Ohio



#### **MASS READINGS**

MONDAY, 10/27: Weekday

Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

TUESDAY, 10/28: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

WEDNESDAY, 10/29: Weekday

Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6/Lk 13:22-30

THURSDAY, 10/30: Weekday

Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31/Lk 13:31-35

FRIDAY, 10/31: All Hallow's Eve

Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

SATURDAY, 11/1: All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/

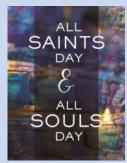
1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

SUNDAY, 11/2: All Souls' Day — the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed;

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Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-

11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40





Saturday, November 1 — 5:00 PM

Remembrance Mass for Beloved Deceased

Sunday, November 2 - 9:30 AM

Frank Nicotera (Nicotera Family)



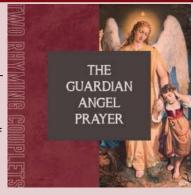
#### Pray for those who are sick and suffering

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

## The Guardian Angel Prayer, Explained!

The Guardian Angel Prayer, also known as the Angel of God Prayer, invokes the protection of one's guardian angel.
Often one of the first prayers taught to chil-



dren, it consists of two rhyming couplets: "Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide."

The exact authorship of this prayer is unknown. Scholars previously attributed it to St. Anselm of Canterbury, though many now believe a version composed by Reginald of Canterbury in his "Life of Malchus" serves as the prayer's inspiration.

Guardian Angels are referred to in Scripture in the Book of Daniel (Dan. 12:1), the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 18:10) and the Psalms (91:10-13). "From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession," says the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 336).

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#### **REMEMBER**

Daylight Savings Time

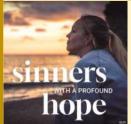
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Sunday, November 2



Your Parish Offering October 18-19, 2025					
	In Pew	On-line	Total	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under)
Sunday Offering	\$795.00	\$353.95	1,148.95	1,859.00	(710.05)
Maintenance Fund	\$10.00	\$51.00	61.00	358.00	(297.00)
Facility Restor/Rep	\$923.00	\$105.25	1,028.25	578.00	450.25
Other	\$5,386.00	\$0.00	5,386.00	285.00	5,101.00
Total	\$7,114.00	\$510.20	7,624.20	3,080.00	4,544.20

#### 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION:**

October 26, 2025 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 18:9-14

Every now and then readers of these reflections write letters in which they object to something. Years ago, this Gospel of Luke 18 prompted such an email. A man wrote to me: "I find it deeply offensive that you suggest we are still sinners once we are God's sons and daughters." His objection stirred in me a profound awareness of the paradox at the heart of our faith. Are we sinners or beloved children of God?

In this Gospel (Luke 18:9-14), a tax collector appears as one who has missed the mark. His sins have isolated him. His breast -beating is not an act of self-flagellation for pride's sake but a heartfelt admission of his failure and unworthiness. Remarkably, Jesus honors the candid humility of the parable's penitent. Why? Because we are always in need of mercy, always. But even more, perhaps because on the cross, Jesus will fully embrace a similar place of humiliation and rejection. He will enter into the most shameful, offensive place of the sinner so that we might "go home justified."

There is a sacred tension in admitting that we are sinners and yet have profound hope. We are beloved sons and daughters of God, growing precisely through our honest acceptance of failure. When we cry, "Have mercy on us," during Mass or when we repeat the "Jesus Prayer" in quiet moments, or in the confessional, we embrace our imperfections as fertile ground for divine grace. In doing so, we follow Christ's example — finding true exaltation in the humble acknowledgment of our human frailty.

- Father John Muir

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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.

#### **Ozanam Center Volunteers Needed**



It is MOS' turn to volunteer at the Ozanam Center on **Saturday, November 1st**. Time is 9:15-

12:00. Address is: 93 Kent St., Akron, Ohio 44305. Mother of Sorrows has been volunteering at the St. Vincent DePaul Ozanam Center since 2007, a food and clothing bank located on the grounds of the Visitation of Mary parish. It is staffed by a weekly group of rotating parish volunteers from churches around the area. 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 unpacking donations, sizing adult, children's and infants' clothing, distributing socks and undergarments, and supporting food distribution to the needy. 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.

## In Remembrance

#### **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.



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