



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
October 16, 2016

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

If you participate at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays, then you know that we have an excellent choir. However, the performance of their expertise depends on the Choir Director, Caroline Spears.

Caroline is a wife and mother of three young children, grades 5th, 3rd, and Kindergarten, here at OLS School. This keeps her busy enough, but she also has two jobs here at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. She is the Minister of Music and, as stated above, the Director of the 10 a.m. Choir. Her other, very time-consuming job, is the "bookkeeper" of parish funds and expenditures. She is so focused and fast working in her office next to mine, writing checks, which total about 250 a month. She is always available to discuss certain bills that come in. She calls Finance Committee meetings, which she attends, keeps track of the budget of different areas of parish functions, what's in various checking accounts, and complying with the diocesan regulations, diocesan taxes, and diocesan required software. Through all her hard work, she still stays sweet and nice.

The reason I am writing all this is that, often, we don't appreciate what we have until we lose it. You guessed it; UAB found Caroline and offered her a great position commensurate with Caroline's multi-talented abilities. She will be the Program Coordinator of WHBM radio, with perks such as half price tuition for all three of her children and she can take classes for free.

Caroline graduated from UAB with a B.A. in Music Performance, with honors. So, many in the parish see her as their favorite cantor for weddings, funerals, and at Mass.

I am sure her courses in choral directing merited an A+. This past Sunday, it was as if her hands were on a keyboard, "playing" four different parts in the choral performance at the offertory.

Just as Gigi Pickard recommended her successor when she took an offer made to her by the diocese, so Caroline has recommended her successor, MARIE BREWER. Marie has been doing some limited office work for us, such as the pictorial directory, and, so, she is no stranger to me and the office force. I thank God Marie has had an accounting course along with her music major. She, too, is one of the multi-talented people who will graduate with her college degree this December. I read the job description Caroline crafted for me to see. How complete it is! I found wonderful willingness on the part of both women for Caroline to teach Marie the "BOOKS" on Saturdays for some eight weeks.

Marie directs the choir at the 6 p.m. Mass and, now, after her graduation in mid-December, she will take on the responsibility of "Chief Financial Officer" or "bookkeeper". Since Marie directs the choir at the 6 p.m. Mass, and Caroline directs the other choir, I ask myself, are bookkeeping and directing choirs first cousins?

Caroline's last day is Friday, and Marie won't finish school for eight weeks. It is only the goodness of these two that we will have a smooth transition. God is so good to OLS and to me.

Congratulations to both Caroline and Marie on their new jobs and on their goodness to work for eight weeks on Saturday in the transition process.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller



Vita D'Amico, Mary Ann Huie,
Kenneth Huie, Melanie
Gilchrist, Charlie Kai
Wadsworth

All Saints Day Mass Schedule:

Monday, Oct. 31 **6 p.m. (Vigil)**

Tuesday, Nov. 1 **6:30 a.m.**
 7:30 a.m.
 9:00 a.m. (school)
 12 noon
 6 p.m.



Mass Intentions

Monday, Oct. 17	Special Intention Louise Battaglia Tony Lamoureux
Tuesday, Oct. 18	Jackie Milazzo Louise Battaglia Joe Naro
Wednesday, Oct. 19	Special Intention Peter Omilnowicz Eddie Jurovich
Thursday, Oct. 20	Special Intention Lena Caltagirone Tom Tenpenny
Friday, Oct. 21	Special Intention Sp. Int. Christy Galloway Tony Lamoureux
Saturday, Oct. 22	Donors to OLS School Foundation Special Intention Tony Lamoureux
Sunday, Oct. 23	People of the Parish Lena Caltagirone Carolyn Gavin

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

- Tuesday at Noon (With Partner)**
- Tuesday at 1 PM (With Partner)**
- Tuesday at 4 PM (With Partner)**
- Thursday at 2 AM (With Partner)** Sacrificial Hour
- Thursday at 1 PM (With Partner)**
- Sunday at 11 AM (With Partner)**
- Sunday at 11 PM (With Partner)**

Our goal is to have at least 2 people on each hour. These are the hours needed, but do select an hour that best fits your schedule. Please call Mary Claire Brouillette at 871-2909 or Trudy Carpri at 643-0248. "St. Paul tells us that faith comes from listening. In a Holy Hour we wait for Him to speak – and He does!"

Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

God has called you by your name. You are a child of God. Are you aware of your strength in God? (Isaiah 45:1,4-6)) For those who serve in civil and religious leadership, may they act and speak with integrity.

Everyone is welcome to attend *Adult Education: Encounter and Evangelize* on Sunday, October 23. Our speaker will be Msgr. Martin Muller, who will teach *Defending the Faith, Part I*. The gathering begins in the Parish Hall at 9:45 a.m. with fellowship and light refreshments and the class begins at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

The Elementary Children's Ministry invites all 1st – 5th graders to a ***Halloween Costume Bash*** on Wednesday, October 26, from 5-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come dressed in your Halloween costume for a fun and prayerful event as we celebrate All Saints Day! Dinner will be served for all participants

and their families. Please RSVP. With Chi Ranieri at ECM@ourladyofsorrows.com.

**Here's the Scoop
on MID Youth Group!**

Oct. 16: Batman joins us after dinner to talk about Goodness and Patience! Meet at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Hall.

Camp deposits are due to reserve your teen's spot for Camp Hidden Lake! Please send a \$50-\$100 deposit per camper. Checks can be made out to OLS Youth. Camp dates are June 5-10, 2017. Email carol@olsyouth.com for more information.

**What's Goin on
In High School Youth Group?**

Oct. 16: Faith Formation: Living Rosary with PSR Classes. Our Life Night kicks off our new, 4 part series on Mercy! Join us for dinner, games, and a formative talk. This theme plays into the "Year of Mercy".

Our "Timeless" retreat sign-ups are officially open! The \$25 cost covers meals, housing, and a t-shirt. This retreat will have Mass, Adoration, small groups, special guest speakers, music, canoeing, bonfires, and more. Don't miss out! (Nov. 5-6 at Camp Hargis)

Find more info. on www.olsyouth.com.



John Carroll Catholic High School will hold their Annual Open House on Sunday, October 16, from 2-5 p.m. All prospective students and families are welcome to attend.

Join us for a special screening of the 1952 Hollywood classic "The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima", to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Fatima!

When: Tuesday, October 18

Time: 6:30 p.m., Patriotic Rosary for all 50 States; 7 p.m. movie

Where: Summit Carmike

Cost: \$15

In addition to commemorating the 100th anniversary, this event is also a fundraiser for the Birmingham Chapter of Fraternus – an incredible organization for forming virtue in young men. Invite your friends! This event will sell out, so purchase your tickets as soon as possible! Order your tickets at www.eventbrite.com.

GIVE YOUR KIDS THE BEST GIFT EVER...PARNTS WITH A GREAT MARRIAGE! Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is October 21-23, at St. Bernard Abbey. You can get more information or register online at www.ALFL-wwwme.org, or by calling Bob & Joy Hernandez at 678-985-0125.

The Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman is please to host Dominican Sister Nancy Murray as she brings to life the extraordinary 14th Century Dominican saint and Doctor of the Church, Catherine of Siena. The performance will be held in the Sacred Heart Monastery Chapel at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 21. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased through the Retreat Center office or at the door. For more information, please contact the Retreat Center at 256-734-8302, retreats@shmon.org or www.shmon.org.
