



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
March 11, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

Security: Last Wednesday evening we had some 80 people attending the security meeting with questions and suggestions. We are grateful for those who are so interested on behalf of our great OLS community.

Retired Marine Colonel, Bruce Bright, chaired the meeting and will head up a committee that will follow up on the many ideas brought out. Lt. Brundage and Officer Mangels (both Homewood Police Dept.) were with us, and the Lieutenant from our Police Department gave us great insights and represented our local police with a wonderful sense of cooperation.

Resolve: We will have a police presence, car and personnel, during all school hours. We will also have the same as regards Sunday Masses.

We will work more on keeping certain doors locked. The committee will work on better exit signs and evacuation routes for any and all type of emergencies.

Awareness of anyone coming into the Church or around the grounds, who looks suspicious, should be reported. We will expand the usage of more radio-carrying ushers and others so that issues can be more immediately addressed.

Having more volunteers to be "greeters" at the door seemed to be a noted suggestion.

On the plus side, we already have much security with the "fob" system of the FLC and the key pads at the School, Mom's Day Out, and the Catholic Children's Learning Center. The Fire Marshall keeps us well prepared for emergencies.

Jefferson County has put out information sheets, and on the subject of probability, it was noted that there would be a one in six million chance of an individual House of Worship experiencing a "shooter". I am still looking for a probability fraction for schools.

Not probable, but, as so many other things, it could be possible...but rare. Still, we need to lessen, in every way, any such possible tragedy as what happened in Parkland, Florida.

Bishop Foley's terminal, incurable cancer has been announced on local T.V., as well as on EWTN. I saw him this past Tuesday evening. We had a wonderful visit. He is full of faith and trust in the mercy of God. He sees the advance notice of 3-4 months a blessing from God. He has served our diocese extremely well and has confirmed so many of our own parishioners. We all can use extra prayers, and he does ask for them.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

The Lenten Penance Service will be held on Thursday, March 15, at 7 p.m. in the Church. We will have 8 priests hearing confessions. Please join us.



Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday of Lent at **6:30 p.m.**



The Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners to a Parish Fish Fry on Friday, March 16. We will begin serving following Stations of the Cross, which will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.



Mass Intentions

Please Note: Mass Intentions are assigned to the priests, not the Mass times. If you have reserved a certain date, you will need to call the Church Office the Friday before to find out the Mass time.

Monday, Mar. 12	Special Intention Fr. Robert O'Sullivan
Tuesday, Mar. 13	Anthony Ross Betty Hollis Joe Noto
Wednesday Mar. 14	Josephine Sicola Special Intention Anthony Ross
Thursday, Mar. 15	Nathalie Forstall Jackie Milazzo Lorraine Broderick Mary Thornton
Friday, Mar. 16	Special Intention Anthony Ross
Saturday, Mar. 17	Fr. Robert O'Sullivan Donors to OLS School Foundation
Sunday, Mar. 18	Nathalie Forstall Anthony Ross People of the Parish Mrs. Bagby Fr. Robert O'Sullivan

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

- Monday at 11 AM (With Partner)**
- Tuesday at 2 AM (Permanent Committed Adorer Needed)**
- Tuesday at 11 AM (Permanent Committed Adorer Needed)**
- Tuesday at 1 PM (With Partner)**
- Friday at 11 AM (With Partner)**
- Friday at 9 PM (With Partner)**
- Saturday at 3 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.



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

Everyone is invited to join us at Adult Education on Sunday, March 18. Our speaker will be Floyd Hosmer. His topic is *The Crucifixion of Jesus, Part II*. The gathering begins in the Parish Hall with fellowship and light refreshments at 9:45 a.m. and the class begins at 10 a.m.

New Position Open - OLS is hiring a part-time PSR Administrative Assistant. Looking for a faith-filled, energetic individual who has computer and organizational skills. Also needs to work well with adults and children. For more information or to apply, email Suzanne Corso at dre@ourladyofsorrows.com

OLS Mother's Day Out Registration begins Friday, march 16, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. Registration will be for the summer session and for the 2018/2019 school year. Mother's Day out is for children 8 weeks through 4 years of age. Please call Angie Dunston at 871-3253 for more information.



The Knights of Columbus will hold a blood drive this Sunday, March 11, in the Parish Hall from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

They will be cooking a hot breakfast for all donors and their families. The American Red Cross continues to face shortages of the most needed blood types. We hope to see you there.

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

Mark your calendars for April 7th (10 a.m. – 3 p.m.)! A festival at OLS just for teens. The Diocese is hosting this fun event and there will be speakers, games, food trucks, and more! More details coming soon.

LifeTeen High School

Mar. 11: Faith Formation at 10 a.m. We will be studying Ch. 5 of Monsignor's book and learning about the credibility of the gospels. **Life Night at 7 p.m.** Our *Theology of the Body* semester theme continues by focusing on the freedom that comes from choosing chastity.

Wed., Mar. 14: Dinner and Bible Study at 7 p.m. in the youth room.

Edge Middle School

Mar. 11: Join us for dinner at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Hall, followed by "Fire Fall", an Edge Night on Confirmation in Scripture. We will explore where this sacrament is present in the Bible and learn that through the power of the Holy Spirit we can be true witnesses to Christ in the world.

The Elementary Children's Ministry invites all 1st – 5th graders and their families to cheer on the UAB men's baseball team against Alabama on Tuesday, March 20, at 6:30 p.m. at Region's Field. Please register for this event using the link on the Elementary Children's Ministry webpage on the OLS website. Contact Chi Ranieri at ecm@ourladyofsorrows.com if you have any questions.

Our Lady of Grace will meet on Monday, March 12, at 10:30 a.m. in the Sodality Room. Our guest speaker will be Mary Ann Graeve and her topic is Lent. Please remember to bring your sandwich and donations for the Catholic Center of Concern. Drinks and desserts will be provided.



**Save the Date:
Vacation Bible
School is
June 11th-15th!**

Volunteers needed now (especially adults) Full week – 8:45-12:15

Adult Volunteers

- Decorations – Before VBS
- Crew Leaders – no teaching required
- Bible Story and Bible Point Leaders
- Nursery Leader
- Clean up Crew – Friday after VBS

Jr. Volunteers

(Rising 5th graders and up)

- Where we need you

Sign up at www.olspsr.com!

OLS Habitat Pope Francis Build

Looking for a Lenten alms giving opportunity? OLS needs your help! Our parish is once again participating in Habitat's Pope Francis Build. We're at the "Carpenter" level and OLS has committed \$5000 and 25 volunteers to help Brittany Whitlow and her daughter build their home. The date is **Saturday, March 17, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. No skills required**; anyone 14 years old and older can participate and you can come for as little as 4 hours. To sign up, go to <http://bit.ly/2BDKCUG> or contact Marc Corsini at marc.corsini@gmail.com or 222-4622.



Looking for a way to serve your church?

How about being a sacristan and helping clean the altar?

How often do you need to be there?

About once every sixth Saturday morning at 8:15 am.

How long does it take? About one hour.

What do you have to do? Dust, vacuum, wash, general cleaning of the altar, change the Holy Water.

Who can do this? Anyone - men, women, children.

Please contact Marcy Fleming at 205-401-8548 or mbf96@me.com if interested.

A Lenten Rosary will be prayed before the noon Mass on Wednesday, March 14, at 11:00 a.m. Benediction will follow the Rosary. All members of the parish are invited and encouraged to participate. Please bring your family members and friends. You may place your personal intentions in a prayer basket. After the Rosary, the basket will be placed before the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel of Our Savior. The Altar Sodality will lead the Rosary.

John Carroll 2018 Carrollights Celebration

Please join us for our annual Carrollights celebration on Saturday, March 17, at 6 p.m. in the Our Lady of the Valley Social Hall. It is sure to be a spectacular evening and we



hope to see you there. Visit www.carrollights2018.org to purchase tickets.

Peggy Crawford would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards and well wishes during her recent illness.

Young Professionals Bible Study

We welcome men and women in their 20's and 30's who are interested in faith formation and fellowship. Anyone from the diocese is invited to join for study, volunteer opportunities, and outings. The Young Professionals group meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Email stephaniezicarelli@gmail.com or message us on Facebook: OLS Young Professionals.

Dear Msgr. Muller,

Thank you very much for the continued support we receive from you and your Parish. The help that the Catholic Center of Concern gives to those who experience emergencies would be much less without Our Lady of Sorrow's constant food and financial donations.

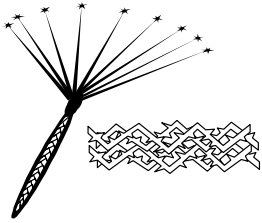
May God bless you and each family in your Parish for the attention given to the poor and the less fortunate ones. Please convey my sincere thanks to all your Parishioners.

We keep you, your associates, all your parishioners and their families in our daily prayers. We count on yours, too, to be able to continue in our ministry to our brothers and sisters in need.

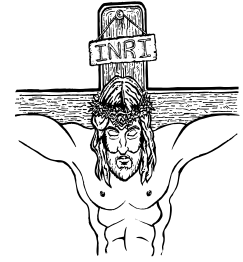
Have a Blessed and peace-filled New Year!

With gratitude,

Sister Zelia M. Cordeiro, MC
Director



Holy Week
Our Lady of Sorrows Church



Holy Thursday

March 29th

Mass of the Lord's Supper

5:00 P.M. & 7:00 P.M. In

The Church (NURSERY PROVIDED)

Good Friday***

March 30th

Meditations on the Seven Last Words

12:00 –2:20 P.M.

Stations of the Cross –2:30-3:00 P.M.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:00 P.M.
in the Church. (NURSERY PROVIDED)

Holy Saturday

March 31st

EASTER VIGIL

8:00 P.M. (NURSERY PROVIDED)

Easter Sunday

April 1st

7:00 A.M.

8:30 A.M. (Nursery Provided)

**10:00 A.M. - 2 MASSES (CHURCH AND
PARISH HALL) (Nursery Provided)**

11:30 A.M.

6:00 P.M.

***** On Good Friday, Father Muller will begin the reflections on the Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross at 12:00 p.m. and will conclude at 2:20 p.m. The Stations of the Cross will begin at 2:30 p.m. and end at 3:00 p.m., the hour of our Lord's death, the Hour of Divine Mercy. You may come for any part of the services, but please, out of respect, remain in the vestibule until Father has completed his meditation and then enter the church.**