



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
April 22, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

The Lord took Bishop Foley out of his pain into the perfect happiness of heaven this past Tuesday.

Bishop Foley taught us how to live and taught us how to die. I visited him at St. Vincent's and he told me about his cancerous tumors that were inoperable and were, in fact, taking him very soon through the doors into the next life. He was as ready as could be. He was in great spirits.

As bishop of our diocese he was a most dedicated priest, a model to all of us priests. He never missed the March for Life in Washington, D.C. and was most accessible to all of his priests. From 1994 to 2000 he had a weekly hour on EWTN-TV, explaining the Official Catechism of our Faith. He truly lived his faith, especially with the many problems of a territorially large diocese. He knew every parish and priest personally. Canon Law required that he retire at the age of 75, but retire from the vineyard of the Lord? Never! He visited the prisons. I would meet him in the halls of St. Vincent's where he was visiting the sick. He was found, frequently, in the OLS Adoration Chapel, and he helped Bishop Baker with confirmations and was most accessible to help out at any parish that asked him.

Once retired, he came frequently to celebrate the Student Masses here at OLS. The students loved him because he knew how to relate to them.

Bishop Foley was truly mission-minded and would do anything to help spread the faith. His personal kindness to me and to the priests was such that if he had an opportunity to give that word of encouragement, he never missed the opportunity.

Visitation will be this Sunday at the Cathedral of St. Paul starting at 2 p.m., with Vespers at 6:30 p.m. The funeral Mass will be Monday at 11 a.m.

Last Sunday at 2 p.m. we celebrated First Holy Communion of the Second Graders from OLS School, with Fr. Vernon Huguley concelebrating with me.

Those 25 students were told they were so important, only because Jesus is so important. They were reverent, so well trained, and will never forget the occasion, starting a life of receiving Jesus into their very bodies hundreds of times more.

Being God, and all powerful, containing Himself under the appearance of bread and wine is not a problem. The question is why would He do it? Simply because He loves us so much He wants to be very close to us. We need to love Him so much in return.

This Sunday we have another First Holy Communion, with 31 from the Parish School of Religion who will receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist.

We congratulate all 56 on this great occasion of their lives, and thank their parents and catechists for all they do for these beautiful future leaders of our Church.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller



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



Mass Intentions

Monday, April 23	Special Intention Elia Tharayil Sp. Int. Anthony J. Rumore
Tuesday, April 24	Special Intention Fr. Charles Cross Victor Hugh Rumore
Wednesday, April 25	Special Intention Susan Perault Dr. Joseph Schilleci
Thursday, April 26	Joyce Bromberg Anita Noto Dr. Joseph Schilleci
Friday, April 27	Special Intention Dr. Joseph Schilleci Peter Larkin
Saturday, April 28	Dr. Bill Stephens Dr. Joseph Schilleci Peter Larkin
Sunday, April 29	People of the Parish Dr. Joseph Schilleci Katherine Boackle

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Tuesday at 11 AM (With Partner)

Tuesday at 1 PM (With Partner)

Friday at 9 AM (With Partner)

Friday at 11 AM (With Partner)

Friday at 9 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.

Everyone is welcome to attend Adult Education on Sunday April 29. Our speaker will be Greg Pierre. His topic is *Eucharistic Miracles*. The gathering begins in the Parish Hall at 9:45 a.m. with fellowship and light refreshments. The class begins at 10 a.m.

The Bread for the World Letter Campaign will take place on Sunday, April 29, in the Parish Hall following all of the morning Masses. You can also participate using your smart phone or laptop and home computer.

Insert bread.org/eol into the browser of your device. After you input your name, address, and zip code, add a line or two to personalize the sample letter; the system will automatically email both your two senators and representative with the push of one button!

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

LifeTeen High School

Sun. April 22: Faith Formation at 10 a.m. Chapter 9, *The Marks of the Church*. Life Night at 7 p.m. Join us for A Night of Adoration! We will focus on learning more about the Eucharist, followed by Adoration in the Church.

Wed. April 25: Bible Study at 7 p.m. Pizza, prayer, and small group discussion! Rising freshman are invited tonight to experience High School youth group!

Camp Hidden Lake

We are looking for chaperones for our Camp Hidden Lake trip July 16021! This is an incredible way to grow in your personal faith and connect with the teens in our parish. You must be 21 years old and Youth Protection certified through the Diocese. Email ginny@olsyouth.com for more details.

Edge Middle School

Sun. April 22: Join us for dinner at 7 p.m. in the Family Life Center, followed by "Restless Heart", an Edge Night on St. Augustine. We will come to a greater understanding of the power of Christ to convert hearts, particularly through the story of this amazing saint.

Wed. April 25: 8th Grade Send-Off! All 8th graders are welcome to join High School for Bible Study at 7 p.m. Pizza, prayer, and small group discussion, followed by dessert at a location TBD.



*Our Lady of
Sorrows*
presents
**Vacation
Bible School**

June 11th - 15th!
9 a.m. – 12 noon

K4 (4 yrs. by June 1) – 4th grade (in coming school year)

Register Now! www.olspsr.com

We need volunteers! Rising 5th graders to adult. Contact us at:
psr@ourladyofsorrows.com or 871-1431.

YOU'RE INVITED! Trash and Treasure is having a potluck dinner on Wednesday, April 25, at 6 p.m. Current volunteers and potential new volunteers are invited to bring their favorite dish and join us for an evening of food and fellowship as we get ready to start our preparation for this year's sale! Volunteers are needed for all areas. For more information about the potluck or about volunteering, please contact Melanie Falconer at 205-281-9695.

Trash & Treasure is gearing up for another great 4th of July Festival...and you can too! We will begin accepting donations at the end of May, so now is the time to start planning. If you have a furniture item that needs to be picked up before then, we do have limited storage available. If you would like to schedule a pickup, please contact Bill Miller at 478-6936. Again, if you can wait until the end of May, it is greatly appreciated. For other questions about donations – or even volunteering – please call Melanie Falconer at 281-9695.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet at OLS on Saturday, April 28, at 10 a.m. Won't you join us for prayer, Adoration, and Holy Mass? All are welcome! For more information contact Angela Kolar at 991-9554.

Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center
15th Annual GOLF FOR LIFE
Friday, May 11,
Highland Park Golf Course
Lunch at 12 Noon
SHOTGUN START at 1 p.m.

The cost is \$250 (\$125 tax deductible) per individual golfer. We need people to organize a foursome to make this year's fundraiser the most successful ever. Individual golfers are welcome, and will be paired up. We also need Hole Sponsors, \$500, or half Hole Sponsors, \$250. This ministry exists to help women facing a crisis pregnancy choose life, and to support them in that decision. Please support this event and contact Her Choice at 205-447-8796 or golf4life@herchoicebirmingham.org.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Whose voice will you follow – the Good Shepherd's or a stranger's? Pray for a listening heart. (John 10:1-10)

For this faith community, lead and guide us as we live out our Christian vocation.

April Bridge Winners:

- 1st Mike Millican
- 2nd Barbara Henson
- 3rd Pat Rupinski