



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
May 20, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

The mystery of the Trinity will always remain beyond our understanding, because it is infinitely greater than our little minds and God has a right to His secrets.

Today we celebrate the coming of the Spirit upon the apostles. From the Gospel we see that Jesus asked the Father to send the Spirit to us to ratify all the things He told us and to be with us as another ADVOCATE (one who is on our side and who longs to help us).

Jesus said that the Spirit moves as it wills. Just as the wind cannot be accurately predicted, so the Spirit of God hits us at strange times and always with the grace to follow Jesus to heaven. These graces come in different avenues and circumstances of life.

Several years ago, Katie Gerhardt, an IRS agent, came to the RCIA Class to help her FBI husband learn the faith. One evening, as Katie left through the double glass doors, I shouted across the hall, "Hey, Katie, how is business?" She replied, "THERE IS CORRUPTION ALL OVER THE PLACE." I thought later that if she had called back to me, "How's business?" I would have said, "THERE IS GOD'S GRACE ALL OVER THE PLACE." For example, the sweet second grader who kept telling her teacher at OLS School that she, too, wanted to go to confession and receive her First Communion, even though her parents were not Catholic...and God's grace swept down through this young lady and to her parents and they became Catholics.

Several years ago a boy in kindergarten, when brought with his class to adoration on First Friday, just kept his eyes riveted on the monstrance, with Jesus hidden there. He had to be pulled away when it was time to go back to class. He was Asian, with a background of Buddhism and Hinduism. Eventually, the

mother came to the RCIA Class and was baptized into the faith, as was the little boy and his baby sister.

If we look into our own lives, how often we find ourselves with a circumstance that is arranged by the Spirit to bring us closer to the kingdom of God. My mail brings a plentitude of religious books, articles, magazines and newspapers. Coming from I-don't-know-where is the following prayer to Jesus, with no authorship, no publisher, nothing to indicate in any way its source. No accident. This is a grace from God to express our love for Him. It was a grace to me and to all who read this prayer with devotion:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU

JESUS, how often I think that I am too busy to pray! My days are over-loaded!

And yet, JESUS, You surely don't expect me to be so preoccupied. How could I not have the time to think of You?

You are always at my side, JESUS, You alone are my strength, my courage, my support.

I want to make a habit, JESUS, of speaking to You as a friend, to confide my joys and sorrows.

And so, from the bottom of my Heart, I want to say simply:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

When I am tired, help me still to say:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

When I find it hard to forgive, I need only to repeat:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

When darkness comes on me, and I don't know where You are, I will call on You, and say:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

My daily task will become easier,
and my work will become a prayer
which says:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

What trouble can shake me –
what suffering overcome me
if I can always repeat:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

For the joys You give me –
for the graces You shower on
me, my Thank You will always be:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

And simply to please You, for
no other reason, let me often say:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

And when the evening of my
life comes, and You invite me
home, let me say for one last
time here below, before I depart:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

And when you call me for judgement,
be merciful, Lord, because You know
how many times I have said:

JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller



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

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed
Adorers for:

Tuesday at 11 AM (With a Partner)
Tuesday at 1 PM (With a Partner)

**Wednesday at 4 AM (Committed Adorer
Needed this Hour)**

Friday at 9 AM (With a Partner)

Friday at 11 AM (With a Partner)

Friday at 9 PM (With a Partner)

**Saturday at 9 PM (Committed Adorer
Needed this Hour)**

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.



Monday, May 21	Victor Rumore Anthony Ross Special Intention
Tuesday, May 22	Special Intention Ralph Ferguson Joe Naro, Sr.
Wednesday, May 23	Walter Cooney Victor Rumore Mary Luker
Thursday, May 24	Special Intention Nap & Sandra Barranco & family Mary Nell Crocker
Friday, May 25	Patrick McGeever Edward King Sp. Int. Dr. & Mrs. Frank LaRussa
Saturday, May 26	Donors to OLS School Foundation Carl & Bonnie Barranco & family Victor Hugh Rumore
Sunday, May 27	People of the Parish Bill & Debbie Barranco & family Victor Hugh Rumore

Disaster Training Class

The Director of Emergency Services for the
Diocese, Carol Gray, is looking for five
volunteers to attend a Disaster Training
Class. Volunteers will be trained to staff our
area in the Disaster Recovery Center. The
job consists of interviewing clients, filling out
paperwork, collecting necessary
documentation, and actively listening to those
who just experienced the devastating event to
determine how we can help. Volunteers must
be 18 years of age or older. We also have
volunteers who organize items donated to
prepare for distribution. The training hours

will be four hours from 1-5 p.m., with the place and date to be determined. If you are interested in attending this class, please send your name and contact information to ols@ourladyofsorrows.com.

Our Lady of Sorrows Vacation Bible School is June 11th - 15th from 9 a.m. – 12 noon. Children K4 (4 yrs. by June 1) – 4th grade (in coming school year) are welcome. **Register Now at www.olspsr.com. We need volunteers! Rising 5th graders to adult.** Contact us at: psr@ourladyofsorrows.com or 871-1431.

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.

Let the Knights do the cooking this Memorial Day Weekend! The Knights of Columbus are once again smoking Boston butts to help celebrate the upcoming Memorial Day weekend. Each butt is \$35 and will be available for pickup at the OLS pit between 3 & 6 p.m. on Friday, May 25th. Please text or call 205-267-1116 to place your order. Early orders are appreciated!

The Padre Pio prayer group will meet on Saturday, May 26. Prayers and Adoration begin at 10 a.m. and we will conclude with Mass by 11:15. Fr. Wilfred Emeh will lead us in prayers! Come and be with us and pray for souls! All are welcome! For more information call Angela Kolar at 991-9554. **“PRAY, HOPE and DON’T WORRY!”** Padre Pio...Pray for us!

What’s Going on in Youth Ministry?

LifeTeen High School

Beginning June 6, we will meet every Wednesday! Find our full summer schedule on www.olsyouth.com/summer.

We will also have a weekly book study starting in June! Girls will read *Go Bravely* by Emily Wilson (a book focusing on how to be a better woman of God) and the guys will read *Man Enough* by Dom Quaglia (a book about St. Joseph).

Summer will kick off on June 6th with a Pool Party at HWD Pool! 6:15-8:15 p.m. Dinner will be provided. Modest swimwear only (no two-pieces).

Edge Middle School

Tuesday, May 29: Rising 6th-9th graders are invited to kick-off the summer with laser combat at Ultra Blast from 7-9 p.m.! Free admission, dinner, and multiple rounds of combat. Please visit <http://lasercombatcenter.com/waiver/> to complete a waiver. Meet us at 157 Resource Center Pkwy, Unit 107!

Summer schedule available at www.olsyouth.com/middle-school

U.S. Flag Retirement Ceremony

The OLS Knights of Columbus will be holding a flag retirement ceremony on Saturday, June 9. Older U.S. flags can be dropped off between noon and 6 p.m. at the parking deck. A limited number of replacement flags will be available for sale. The tattered U.S. flags collected will be properly retired at 6:30 p.m. in a patriotic ceremony with local scouts. The public is invited and the ceremony will be atop the OLS Parking Deck.