



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
June 24, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

Mission Cooperative Sunday: I seldom emphasize those second collections, since I know of your generosity. However, this Mission Cooperative Sunday collection is special, since by virtue of our baptism we need to share the faith with others. There are great needs in this country, but we cannot ignore the need for help in India and Africa. These are places that supply us with priests in this diocese, where we don't have enough vocations for our own needs.

The four dioceses that will evenly split the total diocesan collection are two dioceses of India and one diocese in Cameroon, Africa (Fr. Wilfred's diocese). The fourth is a diocese in Malaysia, which has Archbishop Marino as the Pope's delegate. Conversion starts with the education of the very young. Catholic school buildings and teachers in all of these countries are a fraction of the cost of Catholic schools in this country.

In addition to catechetical buildings, the social work of taking care of the relatively few who do not have families to care for them is the work of the Church. The Catholic Church reaches out to these and to orphans. The enormous charity to the very needy on the part of the Church helps the non-christian take a strong look at the religion of charity to the needy.

When I was in the seminary in the 1950's, the state school for the deaf was 26 miles away, and the pastor needed catechists for the deaf children. He paid for gas and drivers to pick up four seminarians and take them to Fredrick, Maryland, to teach religion in the sign language. He would then pay another driver, etc., for our return trip to the seminary and his return back to Fredrick. The pastor shocked me when he told us seminarians that

from his vantage point, money for this was GRACE. Seminarians tend to be idealistic and this was a shocker. Today, as I see what financial support can do to spread the faith, I am willing to admit that money can be GRACE from God for catechetical work and the education of priests and catechists in these foreign countries.

While retaining our commitment to the parish finances and to Catholic Charities, please find something extra for these foreign countries, as we know, by virtue of our baptism, we have an obligation to do something to "spread the faith."

Fr. Wilfred's reception is today after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Wednesday evening he came into my room, when I had planned to write *From the Pastor's Desk*, and chatted at length about the warmth and love of the people at OLS. He will miss us and we will definitely miss him. He left me a book of his memoirs and I could not stop reading it until I finished the whole book. So, he and I may both be in trouble with Nancy Montegut, who constructs the weekly bulletin, waiting for this indefinite length of my weekly communication with our people. I had to resolve to get up extra early on Thursday to have this on her desk a little past my deadline.

Senator Shelby has written a joint letter to all of us at OLS, since he received so many of our letters on hunger issues. Let me summarize: He appreciated the letters and will continue to vote for the WIC program (Women, Infants and Children), which supplies food supplements to those really in need, and also the SNAP (Supplimentary nutrition Assistance Program).

Congress just voted for \$6 billion for WIC, \$74 billion for SNAP, and \$24 billion for a similar financial help program.

He did emphasize that he favors policies that encourage personal responsibility over dependency – a helping hand, not hand-outs.

The Senator promised to continue to vote accordingly and appreciated the disposition of those who wrote on behalf of Bread for the World.

Since Senator Shelby wrote this long letter to the parish, I took the liberty to summarize it for all to read the salient parts.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

ATTENTION: On Saturday, June 30th, confessions will be heard in the Parish Hall from 3 – 4 p.m. instead of the Church.



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



Mass Intentions

Monday, June 25	Special Intention Claude Dirgo
Tuesday, June 26	Special Intention Maggie Scarpulla Dr. Joseph Schilleci Dolly Barranco
Wednesday, June 27	Walter Cooney Joan Rietta Maggie Scarpulla
Thursday, June 28	Special Intention Dr. Joseph Schilleci Dolly Barranco
Friday, June 29	Special Intention Nicoletta Hary Anthony Cherry
Saturday, June 30	Donors to OLS School Foundation Nicoletta Hary Anthony Cherry
Sunday, July 1	People of the Parish Dr. Joseph Schilleci Sarah Carney

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Friday at 9 AM (With a Partner)

Friday at 11 AM (With a Partner)

Friday at 9 PM (With a 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.

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

Life Teen High School

Sun. June 24: Combined event with St. Peter the Apostle youth group! Meet at St. Peter's in Hoover at 6:15 p.m. The night will end at 8:30 p.m. Find our full summer schedule on olsyouth.com

Wed. June 27: Tour of Her Choice Pregnancy Center. Meet at OLS at 5:30 p.m. Parent chaperones are needed – please email ginny@olsyouth.com for details.

Every Friday of summer join us for 7:30 a.m. Mass followed by breakfast.

Edge Middle School

Tues. June 26: Meet at the Family Life Center at 6 p.m. for Drive-In Movie Night! We will be headed to Coyote Drive-in in Leeds. Ticket is included. Bring your own snack money and a blanket to spread out on. Movie TBD.

Wed. July 4: Meet at OLS to help us run the Sno Cone/Hot Dog booth from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Look for Pope Francis under the tent! All help is welcome from rising 6th-graduated seniors!

Permanent Diaconate Formation Program - All Catholic men in the Diocese of Birmingham who may be interested in the vocation of the permanent deacon, and their wives, are invited to attend an information session. No registration is necessary. The sessions are:

June 30: St. Francis University Parish in Tuscaloosa at 10 a.m. or St. Peter the Apostle at 4 p.m.

July 1: Our Lady of Fatima at 10 a.m.

July 8: St. James Church in Gadsden at 9:30 a.m.

July 14: St. John the Baptist in Madison at 10 a.m.

July 15: St. Mark the Evangelist at 9 a.m. or Holy Spirit in Winfield at 10 a.m.

Additional details are available by contacting Deacon J.S. Anzalone, Ph.D., Director of Diaconate Formation, at the Chancery Office (205-776-7005) or Deacon Christopher J. Rosko, M.D. (205-306-0522).

The John Carroll Class of 1968 will celebrate its 50th Year Reunion on Saturday, August 11. For information contact Jeanne Dinan Hale at jeannehale@bellsouth.net or 481-9616.

Miss seeing your photo in the New Directory? An addendum is being compiled. Please submit your photo to:

Peggysandlin@gmail.com. In the email subject line please put: **OLS Photo Directory**. Peggy will respond by email to verify that your photo has been received and will ask you to reply with your Family name, family member names and ONE phone number. If you do not get a response from

Peggy by the next day, please double check that you entered her email address correctly. We have heard from several parishioners that photos were submitted originally but did not get included in the new directory. We are trying to remedy that problem. If you did not submit a photo originally, this will be your opportunity to get your photo in the addendum. Please send your photos NOW. This is a very limited time opportunity.

SHARE YOUR OLS PRIDE! Looking for 2-4 volunteers to give brief (15-20 minute) tours of the OLS Sanctuary during the July 4th Festival. Two tours are planned for 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Training provided. Please contact Teresa Pitts at 979-2955 or tapitts@reagan.com for more information.

REBUILDING: A DIVORCE AND GRIEF RECOVERY GROUP - Are you divorced? Going through a divorce? Have you tried a divorce recovery group and still feel alone, afraid, lost? Let us help. We won't tell you what to expect from divorce, what to do, how to feel, or when the pain will stop. What we will do is provide a safe, confidential setting with people who have been exactly where you are and have survived. Literally hundreds in the Birmingham area have experienced the healing touch of this group. Our next 10 week session begins Tuesday, July 10, from 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Go to www.ourrebuilding.org or call 205 969-0062 for more information. Check out our website and give us a call. Leave a message and we will return your call.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is scheduled in Huntsville for July 20-22 at the Double Tree Hotel South. All married couples deserve a richer, fuller life together. You can get more information or register online at www.ALFL-wwme.org or by calling Bob and Joy Hernandez at 678-985-0125.

Fourth of July Festival Volunteers— You Can Sign Up Now

Go to www.signupgenius.com. Once on the website, click on the magnifying glass in the upper right hand corner. Then click on "Search by Email". Enter the email address greg.pierre.bhm@gmail.com and click on the "I'm not a Robot box". Click on the Search button. You will then be directed to the various sign-ups

Links to sign-ups for all areas of the Festival are located on the OLS Church website: www.ourladyofsorrows.com.

We ask that children get their parent's permission before signing up. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer but don't have internet access, please contact Greg Pierre at 907-5605.



Please pick up your FREE cake mix and container in the vestibule for the 4th of July Festival Cake Booth. Bring your baked cake to the OLS

School Cake Booth either July 3rd from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. or July 4th from 8 -10 a.m. Thank you!



Trash and Treasure Needs You!

We are now accepting:

Household items	Toys
Collectibles	Bikes
Holiday Items	Art
Jewelry	Rugs
Camping Gear	Religious
Tools	Linens
Books	Appliances(working)
Gardening	Crafts
Luggage	Lamps
Yard Items	Electronics(working)
Clothing – clean, <u>gently used</u> , and on hangers if possible	

Donations may be dropped off at the school gym at the bottom of the steps. **Last day for pick-ups is June 26th and the last day for donations is July 1st.**

If you need a large furniture item pick-up, call Bill Miller at 478-6936.

Items we are NOT able to take at this time include:

Broken/non-working items
car seats past the expiration date
mattresses
Sleeper sofas
cribs
pianos
Large tube TVs
Large appliances

We appreciate everyone's time and donations. For questions, please call Melanie Falconer at 281-9695. Thank you!!

TNT Work Hours:

Mondays and Weds 9-2
Thursdays 4-8
Saturdays 10-3



Firecracker Gazette

OLS 69th Annual
4th of July Festival
Wednesday, July 4th 2018
Grand Marshall – Msgr. Martin Muller

Where: OLS Parking Lot
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Entertainment: Bobby “T” Tanory
Karaoke – Music –

Prizes
Games: Basketball, Ball & Pan,
Horse Racing, Putting
Green, Darts, Fish
Pond, Ring Toss, Doll
Booth, Cake Booth, Hot
Wheels Racing,
Dunking Booth,
Inflatable

Bingo: 10:00 a.m. until 2:30
p.m. in the Family Life Center

Rummage Sale: Trash n’ Treasure in
Gym from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Pre-Sale: 8-9am ONLY.
The first 400 people will
be admitted with a \$5
ticket, which will be
sold at the door.

Half-Price Sale: Thursday, July 5th from
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Food Menu: Served 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
in the Parish Hall

Plates: \$10.00 (Choice
of Pork, Ribs, or 1/2
Chicken) includes
beans / slaw / bread /
drink
Hot Dogs: \$1.00
Smoked
Sausages/Brats: \$2.00
Pork Sandwiches: \$3.00
Snow Cones: \$2.00

PRE-SALES – BULK ONLY – Tuesday,
JULY 3rd, 8 AM – 4 PM IN THE SCHOOL
CAFETERIA

Whole Pork Butts - \$35 each
Pork - \$10.00 /lb.
Ribs - \$20.00 / slab
Whole Chicken - \$10.00; 1/2 chicken -
\$5.00
Beans / slaw / sauce /bread /tea - \$3.00
BULK MEAT SALES (Available during the
Festival in the School Cafeteria)

If you would like to volunteer, please
contact one of our captains listed below:

Chad Gentry	Chairman	903-4030
Melanie Falconer	TNT	281-9695
Greg Pierre	Games	907-5605
Danny Stephens	Tkts/Day of	396-5497
Jim & Susie Ceyte	Bulk Sales	979-3216
John Tighe	Kitchen/Take Outs	527-4357
John Baldwin	Site Mgmt.	223-1116

TRASH N’ TREASURE – DROP OFF ITEMS
EVERYDAY OR NIGHT AT THE GYM UNTIL
SUNDAY, JULY 1st.

FOR LARGE PICKUPS – (NO APPLIANCES
OR PIANOS PLEASE) – CALL BILL
MILLER AT 478-6936.

RAFFLE TICKETS – PRIZES:

GRAND PRIZE
\$5,000 CASH

2nd Place Prize- \$2,500 Cash
3RD Place Prize - \$1,000 Cash – donated by
Joe Falconer of Realty South
Three 4th Place Prizes - \$500 Cash
Four 5th Place Prizes - \$250 Cash
Ten 6th Place Prizes - \$100 Cash

EXTRA RAFFLE TICKETS CAN BE
PURCHASED IN THE CHURCH OFFICE OR
AT THE FESTIVAL.