



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
October 21, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

Marcy Fleming served us so well as the Assistant Director of the Parish School of Religion. Suzanne Corso says that we are blessed to have someone, Tracey Doyal, who was able to fill those precious shoes of Marcy.

When Marcy left she gave me a bookmark of nine of the sayings that she heard me repeat a number of times. In "trying" to clean my room, I found the bookmark, and these sayings were good for me to review again for my own life. I felt the need to share them. Some are from the Scriptures and others from spiritual writings or from wherever. Here they are:

God writes straight with crooked lines. When life seems to be going in a crooked direction, God can bring so much good from those crooked lines.

The language of love is sacrifice. What a realistic definition of love.

One of the greatest days of our lives is to leave this earth and see Jesus. Obviously, this presumes we have "lived the good life." Fr. Bill James, at the funeral of his longtime friend, Fr. Robinson, finalized his homily on heaven by saying, "I can't wait!"

The things we do speak so loudly that people cannot hear a word we are saying. What a great way of saying that the power of good example speaks more loudly than what we say.

Saints were not saints because they were perfect, but because they never stopped trying. So, for the saints, life is a series of resolutions.

Parents, your most important job in life is to get your children into heaven. Good parents

want everything that is good for their children. I probably stated and restated this adage when speaking to parents when they were gathered for Parish School of Religion meetings for sacramental preparation.

God always answers our prayers either with "yes" or "not yet" or "I have a better plan." When I begged not to leave Mobile as a newly ordained priest, God had a much better plan.

We cannot outdo God in generosity. How often we tend to think that what we give to God is something lost for ourselves.

What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his soul? The Lord reminds us, of all we amass for ourselves, not a morsel is taken with us into the next life. What are all the material things if, in gaining these things, it costs us an eternity of pain.

Thanks so much, Marcy, for the collection of sober thinking.

RCIA Class is looking for more attendance. This is for anyone who, in any way, is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and increasing a relationship with God. In addition to the above advantage, there is childcare. It also starts with a good meal, and one gets to know better some of the nicest people in small group discussions. Also, it is not too late to start coming.

While parents are waiting for their children during the PSR classes, we have a great series of different presentations called ADULT EDUCATION. Advantage: You increase your knowledge of your faith. There is a light breakfast and coffee before each session, and you can truly offer something else to God. Thanks to Mrs. Frances Smith for organizing speakers and topics. If you have any suggestions on this, Frances is very open to suggestions.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Tuesday at 4 PM (With Partner)

Wednesday at 10 AM (Need Committed Adorer)

Friday at 9 AM (Need Committed Adorer)

Friday at 11 PM (Need Committed Adorer)

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.



Jeanette Gutkowski, Kenny Skellie, William Pickard, Vita D'Amico, Mary Ann Huie, Charlie Kai Wadsworth, Margie Cole

HURRICANE SURVIVOR RECOVERY

Catholic Social Services is collecting various items for those affected by the recent hurricanes. SL & E Auto Parts has donated an 18-wheel tractor trailer to deliver these donated items. Please consider donating. You can drop your items at the Parish Hall beginning Tuesday, October 23, through Friday, October 26. Suggested items are:

Shelf-stable foods	Dry goods
Paper Products	Towels/Washcloths
New Pillows	Blankets, Linens
School/Office Supplies	Disposable Diapers
Personal Hygiene Kits	Cleaning Supplies

Everyone is invited to attend Adult Education on Sunday, Oct. 28. Our speaker will be Kent Graeve. He will lead us in Part II of a Bible Study. 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. Childcare is available in the nursery.



Mass Intentions

Monday, Oct. 22	Special Intention Special Intention Annie Diergo
Tuesday, Oct. 23	Joseph Alfano Annie Diergo Anthony Ross & Roy McCord
Wednesday, Oct. 24	Special Intention Geneva Adams Sp. Int. Jude & Claudia Tombrello
Thursday, Oct. 25	Joseph Alfano Betty Hollis Annie Diergo Jeff Butterfield
Friday, Oct. 26	Anthony Ross & Roy McCord Annie Diergo
Saturday, Oct. 27	Donors to OLS School Foundation Annie Diergo Sp. Int. Mary Rembert
Sunday, Oct. 28	People of the Parish Dale Richards Joseph Alfano

New Position Open - OLS is hiring a part-time Elementary Children's Minister. Seeking a faith-filled, energetic individual who is skilled at event planning and organization and who also works well with others and is interested in building the children's program. For more information, contact Suzanne Corso at dre@ourladyofsorrows.com

Admissions for the 2019-202 School Year are now open for John Carroll Catholic High School. Apply online at www.jcchs.org. The Placement Test for incoming freshman will be November 10, at 7:30 a.m. Your application must be completed prior to taking the test. Contact admissions@jcchs.org for more information.

Ladies, if you would be interested in providing desserts for Mercy Meals after funerals, please contact Jane DeMeis at the Church Office (871-8121).

The Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet on Saturday, October 27, at 10 a.m. All are invited to join us in praying the Rosary, Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed

Sacrament, and Holy Mass! For more information contact Angela Kolar at 991-9554.

The Magnificat Prayer Breakfast will be held at St. Elias Parish Hall on Saturday, October 27, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Our speaker will be Maria Kaczperski. Tickets are \$15 and are available by contacting Donna Chmielarski at 205-408-0308, and from Alpha Church Supply. No tickets will be sold at the door.

ARISE WORSHIP MINISTRY: The Gifts of the Holy Spirit is a FREE EVENT offering the first Catholic Curriculum that trains the faithful to operate in the supernatural charisms of the Holy Spirit. Please joins us on November 2-3, in the Family Life Center. Registration is Required: www.ariseworshipministry.com/OLS

Madonna and Child Moms & Tots Event

All preschool aged children are invited to attend our Halloween Hunt on Thursday, October 25, from 10 a.m. -12 noon at Patriot Park in West Homewood. Please RSVP to carol.j.lange@gmail.com by Tuesday, October 23.

The Elementary Children's Ministry invites all 1st-5th graders to celebrate All Saints Day with a costume party on Thursday, October 25, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Please visit the Elementary Children's Ministry web page (under Faith Formation tab) at ourladyofsorrows.com to register for this event. Dinner will be provided for all participants and their families - please include everyone in your registration. Please note that this is not a drop-off event. A parent/chaperone must stay with their children/carpool group. Don't forget to wear your costume! Contact Chi Ranieri at ECM@ourladyofsorrows.com with any questions.

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

LifeTeen High School

Sunday, Oct 21: Faith Formation at 10 a.m.: *The Story of Salvation*. Life Night at 7p.m.: Dinner and Part 2 of our series "The Last Things." Focusing on the Church teachings regarding Heaven and Hell.

Wednesday, Oct. 24: Join us at 7 p.m. for dinner and then lead games for the OLS school event "Feed the Need." This is a great way to serve our parish family!

Camp Chaperones Needed

We are looking for chaperones for our Camp Covecrest (July 8-14) and Hidden Lake trips (July 15-20)! This is an incredible way to grow in your personal faith and connect with the teens in our parish. Must be 21 years or older and Youth Protection certified through the Diocese. Contact ginny@olsyouth.com for more details.

Saturday, Oct. 27: "Eucharistic Youth Congress." 8th -12th graders are encouraged to attend this Day Retreat focused on the Eucharist. We will meet at 8 a.m. to caravan to Hanceville. This is a FREE retreat. Please RSVP to

youthminister@ourladyofsorrows.com.

Edge Middle School

Sunday, Oct. 21: "Eternal Kingdom" Join us for an Edge Night on the Second Coming and Last Judgment. We will learn more about the importance of remaining prepared for Jesus to come again. Meet from 7-8:30 pm in the Assembly Hall.

Wednesday, Oct. 24: Blaze Bible Study for 7- 8th grade girls. Our 6 week Bible Study, "Discovering My Purpose," concludes! Even if you haven't come, feel free to join us! Meet in the FLC library (1st floor) from 7-8:30 p.m. Pizza dinner will be served!