



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
February 24, 2019

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

Father Richard Donohoe is speaking at all the Masses this weekend. We welcome his effort to help Catholic education by teaching us to divert our state income taxes to this purpose without it costing us a dollar.

The Chapel of Our Savior is the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, visible in the Host for endless blessings. Once a month I receive mail from places as far away as Australia and England, thanking us for our live telecast of adoration. These people transcend space and pray with us.

A week ago, Saturday, a lady followed me into the office in the morning and thought the office was the Chapel. I showed her where we had the beautiful Chapel of Perpetual Adoration. She told me that EWTN cancelled adoration that Saturday, and she checked the internet for any other place. She lives with her parents in Gadsden and St. James, there, does not have Perpetual Adoration. As I walked her to the Chapel and showed her the combination, she told me that she was in the convent and had to come to Birmingham for the best doctors. During the week she goes to the doctors at UAB. It was a Saturday and she sort of made a pilgrimage to come from Gadsden to OLS Chapel for her holy hour. More and more Hispanic people are coming to the Chapel. They are people of great devotion. Again, so many thanks to the Committed Adorers (300), for without them we would not have the Chapel.

Rise Against Hunger is the new name for Stop Hunger Now, and we are still aboard this fantastic program of feeding the hungry in whatever way possible.

How do you prepare 100,000 meals for only \$.30 a meal? These are scientifically put together meals, with all the aspects of good nutrition. The greatest expense is the labor. Most of us have seen the system of four people around a table. The plastic bag is at the bottom of the hopper and each person puts in their ingredient. Bingo! The bag is filled. Then, it is taken to the table by a messenger, where the bag is weighed, sealed, and boxed, and the assembly line keeps producing. The cost of the ingredients is \$32,000.00, which the parish donates and it totals 100,000 meals.

We are writing mostly after the fact. For this Saturday, Suzanne Corso, the great organizer for this mission, had three two-hour work shifts of our people, with starting hours at 9 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 3 p.m. Today, Sunday, the 8th graders from the PSR program will work off service hours, and their session starts at 12 noon. There is a late Sunday night session of the Youth Ministry from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Teens will eat at 7 p.m. and then work for an hour and a half so others can eat in some far away country.

Many thanks to our director of Religious Education for the Parish School of Religion, along with her assistant, Tracy Doyal, for organizing and inspiring this gargantuan program. Thanks to Ginny Dooley and Carol Wiget for that great Sunday evening session, and thanks to all our people who participated.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Monday at 11 AM (Share with Partner)

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Tuesday at 1 PM (Share with Partner)

Wednesday at 9 AM (Share with Partner)

Thursday at 7 AM (Share with Partner)

Friday at 1 PM (Share 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.



Vita D'Amico, Mary Ann Huie,
Charlie Kai Wadsworth,
Margie Cole, Melanie
Gilchrist, Kennie Skellie,
Debbie White

Everyone is invited to attend Adult Education

on Sunday, March 3. James Watts, Director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministry, will be the guest speaker. His topic is *Truth*. 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.



Monday, Feb. 25	Special Intention Sam Salerno Dale Richards
Tuesday, Feb. 26	Julia Riepele Cabrera Frank Cusimano Dale Richards
Wednesday, Feb. 27	Lauren Bourgeois Helen McGrady Dale Richards
Thursday, Feb. 28	Bill Burrus Jackie & Gary Skelton Dale Richards
Friday, Mar. 1	Sp. Int. Chris Lawler Sam Salerno Mary Dirgo
Saturday, Mar. 2	Donors to OLS School Foundation Dr. Bill Stephens Annie Diergo
Sunday, Mar. 3	People of the Parish Catherine Lopez Ross J. Rumore



Join us at V.I.P. on Tuesday, March 5, for the Anointing Mass. We will also celebrate Mardi Gras! Mass begins at 11 a.m. in the Parish Hall, followed by lunch and bingo. Wear your gold and purple and *laissez le bon temps rouler!!*



Save the Date OLS Vacation Bible School

**June 10th - 14th
9 - 12 p.m.**

March 6th is Ash Wednesday. The Mass Schedule is as follows:

- 6:30 a.m.
- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. (School Mass)
- 12:00 noon
- 6:00 p.m. (Church and Parish Hall)

NOW TAKING ADULT VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION
EMAIL PSR@OURLADYOFSSORROWS.COM

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

Sunday, February 24: Rise Against Hunger! Feed the hungry! Both EDGE and Life Teen will meet from 7-9 p.m. to package meals for those in need. Hair should be pulled back and a ball cap is encouraged. *Please* let us know if you plan to attend so we can prepare as many meals as possible.

Life Teen High School

Wednesday, February 27: Dinner at 7 p.m. Mission Trip meeting at 7:30 p.m. A missionary from Family Missions Company will be present to answer all questions and cover all to expect on our Spring Break trip!

Sunday, March 3: Faith Formation at 10 a.m.: Discussing the Anointing of the Sick. Join us at 7 p.m. for a Life Night with Part 4 of our "Belong" Series. You belong to the Catholic Church and have a home here!

Life Teen Mission Trip to Abbeville, LA with Family Missions Company over Spring Break! (Mar 24-30). Come serve in many unique ways. Find details on www.olsyouth.com/trips. Each teen will gain 30 service hours for attending and fully participating! Registration will close Feb. 24th.

Edge Middle School

Sunday, March 3: "Mardi Gras" Edge Social at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Hall. Join us as we learn more about the history and Catholic roots of Mardi Gras while growing in community and fellowship.



OLS School is collecting Boxtops to help support school improvements and programs. Please clip and send your Boxtops to Boxtop Coordinator at 414 Kenilworth Drive, Homewood 35209. Thank you!

Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center 16th Annual GOLF FOR LIFE Friday, April 5, 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.

Annual Carrollights Celebration

John Carroll Catholic High School
Saturday, March 16th

Everyone is invited for dinner, drinks, dancing and a live and silent auction. Tickets are \$50 per person.

Visit www.jcchs.org for more information, to purchase tickets, sponsorship opportunities, and to donate auction items.

John Carroll Athletic Department will be offering a series of sports camps during the month of June. Cost is \$100 per child, per camp. There will also be a Spring Break Basketball Camp on March 25-28 with Coach Ronald Steele. Visit www.jcchs.org for dates and registration.

The Italian American Heritage Society will host its monthly meeting this Sunday, February 24, in the Parish Hall. The meeting begins at 2 p.m. Anyone of Italian heritage is welcome to attend. Members are encouraged to bring guests.