



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

August 9, 2020

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

The OLS parishioners are so good that many have had Masses offered for my older sister, Louise. I really thought seriously of sneaking down to Mobile for my younger sister, who died four months later, and not telling anyone. However, since there are those who would have Masses offered for her, it would not be fair not to mention the recent losses of dear friends, Genie (sister), Archbishop Lipscomb, and Mary Claire Brouillette.

With the continued recovery of my eye surgery five weeks ago, I did not go to any funerals in Mobile. Bishop Baker wrote me a note of sympathy for the loss of the above-mentioned friends and said that, usually, when a well-known bishop dies, other bishops flock to the funeral. The Coronavirus stopped all this travelling and only the two bishops from Birmingham and Archbishop Rodi were at the funeral.

I would like to thank all those who offered prayers for my sister and friends, and, also, for me as I continue to go through the recovery process of major eye surgery.

With all the daily mail and falling behind, I may have misplaced some of the condolences, but know I open all the mail and am extremely grateful for every offering of the Holy Sacrifice and individual prayers offered for my sister, Genie, and the ongoing recovery of my eye surgery.

Funerals are becoming more and more private, and no lunches afterward to keep the 6-foot social distance. Jane DeMeis has taken food to the families after the cemetery.

The virus has crippled not only the economy, but education for children and other usual meetings. However, we have not furloughed any employees, and that is because you wonderful people have been so faithful in fulfilling the pledges made for the year 2020. Yes, the collections have dropped, and we are at the danger zone, so we must thank you faithful people for continuing to support your parish.

With an increase of prayers for the overcoming of Coronavirus in our country and in the world, hopefully, we will all increase our prayers of petition for needed help from the Almighty.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

The Feast of the Assumption is Saturday, August 15th. Our Mass schedule is as follows:

7:45 & 10 a.m.
12 Noon

This is not a feast of obligation, but since it is a Feast Day, we added an extra morning Mass. The Vigil at 5 p.m. is the restarting of Perpetual Adoration.



Angelo Cashio, Mamie Carruba, Tom Lucas, Barbara Mills, Mark Stalker, Joseph Cummings, Maria Koski, Stacey Koski, Ellen Scalise, Sandra Latham, Jerry Noto, Tim Carlisle, Tom James,

Debbie White, Ann LaRussa, Mike Skellie, Lillie Higgins, Harriet Dupree, Alan Pizzitola, Kenny Skellie, and Mary Jane Noto



Mass Intentions

Monday, Aug. 10	Fr. Henry Thorsen Tim Lovelady Norma Purdy
Tuesday, Aug. 11	Special Intention Lena Carruba Melanie Gilchrist
Wednesday, Aug. 12	Special Intention Melanie Gilchrist Pat Salamone
Thursday, Aug. 13	Fr. Henry Thorsen Norma Purdy Josephine Sicola
Friday, Aug. 14	Special Intention Melanie Gilchrist Pat Salamone
Saturday, Aug. 15	Donors to OLS School Foundation Norma Purdy Matteo D'Agro
Sunday, Aug. 16	People of the Parish Pat Salamone Melanie Gilchrist

28th Anniversary of the Chapel of Our Savior

The Chapel will re-open after the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, August 15th. This day is also the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please consider joining us in a private Novena to Our Lady beginning on August 6th and ending on August 15th.

Thanks be to God.

The Assumption Novena

Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, I rejoice that after years of heroic martyrdom on earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in heaven by the Holy Trinity.

Lift my heart with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small earth becomes when viewed from heaven. Make me realize that death is the triumphant gate through which I shall pass to your Son, and that someday my body shall rejoin my soul in the unending bliss of heaven.

From this earth, over which I tread as a pilgrim, I look to you for help. I ask for this favor: (Mention your request).

When my hour of death has come, lead me safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of my God for all eternity together with you.

DON'T FORGET! Tune in to EWTN on August 9, at 9 a.m. for *Bookmark*. Msgr. Muller will be interviewed about his book *The Holy Sacrifice and the Sacraments!* Re-runs can be seen on Monday, Aug. 10th at 4 a.m. & 4 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 15th at 12:30 p.m.

Food for Our Journey update:

"We are serving almost 700 meals a day, seven days a week. The OLS food drive every Wednesday is vital to our ability to serve the homeless and food insecure in our community. We are handing out close to 700 bottles of water a day, so we really need water. Also, we are getting constant requests for socks and masks. If you have clean, gently used, or new socks, we need them. If anyone has access to masks of any kind, we would love to have them. We thank all of you who have donated so far and look forward to seeing all of you who can donate every

Wednesday (drop offs accepted from 9 -10:30 a.m.) in the parish parking lot."

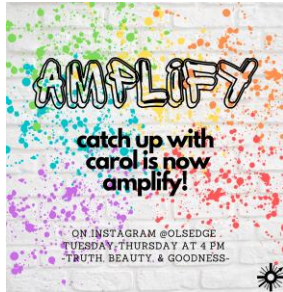
Christine Golab, Assistant Executive Director

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

Life Teen High School

Small groups and book studies are being prepared for the Fall. Stay tuned! Stay connected on our Instagram: @olsyouth

Edge Middle School



Tuesday-Thursday at 4 p.m.: Catch Up with Carol is being rebranded! Join us for "Amplify" on our Instagram @olsedge for a daily dose of truth, beauty, and goodness!



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Jesus is with us to help us do what may seem impossible. Have faith that you will not sink. Listen for His voice of encouragement. (Matthew 14:22-33)

For those discerning a vocation to the ordained or consecrated life, may they listen carefully to the voice of God in their hearts.

Please remember, we are still collecting groceries for the Catholic Center of Concern. Any contribution is greatly appreciated. You can leave your bags in the vestibule in the wooden benches. Thank you for your consideration.



Father James E. Coyle Memorial Mass Celebrant, Bishop Steven J. Raica, JCD

Tuesday August 11, 2020 at 12:10 P.M.

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Dear ones, it will soon be September and we hope to start Bible Study for the Ladies. Please call Mary Ann Graeve (205-908-2728) or text for details.