



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

May 2, 2021

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

The teaching authority of the Church begs for some explanation. If every time the pope opened his mouth it would be "infallible," then he should be our weatherman and financial advisor.

First, there is the irrevocable teaching authority of the pope, and he has to phrase it in a definitive way. He would have to state that he declares, pronounces, and teaches, irrevocably, a certain doctrine of the faith. For example: The Immaculate Conception and the Assumption.

Secondly, there are the many other teachings with a different weight of authority, which can be changed by the pope. Recently, two popes have made two changes, of which we should be knowledgeable.

Pope Benedict XVI, with one stroke of the pen, changed the teaching on what happens to babies who die without baptism. The old Baltimore Catechism (because people wanted some kind of an answer) taught that there is a place of natural happiness for eternity called Limbo, and it is to that place that the unbaptized babies go. Pope Benedict XVI taught that God made every single human for heaven, and it is up to the mysterious ways of God how these many babies will eventually arrive to the place for which they were made.

Pope Francis, last month, changed a title of Mary as "Co-Redemptrix." Captions in a recent article in the Our Sunday Visitor were:

Co-Redemptrix? Mary Points Us
Toward Christ, The One Redeemer!

So, with one stroke of the pen, Pope Francis said we should not refer to Mary as Co-Redemptrix! This past month, at a papal audience, Pope Francis told us to highlight Mary as our mother, who always points to her

divine Son. He reminds us that Mary is a disciple of her Son, not a goddess, or co-redeemer who takes anything from Christ, the God-Man, the Redeemer of the human race.

I have always had trouble with St. Louis DeMonfort's reference to Mary as Co-Redemptrix. I know St. Louis is a canonized saint. So is St. Thomas Aquinas, who in the 13th Century could not accept the teaching of the Immaculate Conception. Now in the 19th Century, when the doctrine was irrevocably taught, pronounced, and defined by the pope, I am sure Thomas Aquinas agrees.

Anthony DeMarco, the father of Mr. Paul DeMarco, passed away last week. His funeral was private, and we found out after the fact. We did offer Mass for him.

Helen Bell will turn 100 this week. I understand her Guild will throw a party in her honor. I hope I can be there to help this great lady celebrate.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller



Monday, May 3	Special Intention Sp. Int. Joel & Joyce Dabbs Nicholas Wolfe
Tuesday, May 4	Joe Reina Sp. Int. John & Leisa Burke Todd Sloan
Wednesday, May 5	Special Intention Nancy Kingston Jacka Nancy Kingston Jacka
Thursday, May 6	J. Huber O'Donnell Buddy Alfano Lee Antonio
Friday, May 7	Special Intention Sp. Int. Chris & Amber Jordan Otto L. Fox, Jr.
Saturday, May 8	Donors to OLS School Foundation Anthony Gagliano Lee Antonio
Sunday, May 9	People of Parish Elizabeth Saia Donald & Marcelle Taccone

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Sunday at 11 AM (Needs partner)
Sunday at 12 PM (Needs partner)
Sunday at 5 PM (No permanent adorer)
Monday at 3 PM (No permanent adorer)
Tuesday at 12 PM (No permanent adorer)
Wednesday at 3 PM (Needs partner)
Friday at 12 AM (No permanent 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 Bo Lovell at 205-965-3041 or email us at olschapel@gmail.com.



Stephanie Murdock, Carmela Yeakle, Mary Jane Noto, Ronnie Williams, Carolyn Wright, Bob Doyle, Donald Taccone, Ellen Scalise, Tom James, Mike Skellie, Harriet Dupree, Alan Pizzitola, Kenny Skellie



Find Out Why Our Student Families Love Us!

Did you know that Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic School is currently giving personal tours to potential student families? An affordable Catholic school education at OLS School is an opportunity for your child to grow academically, spiritually, and socially in a safe and family-friendly environment. To inquire about availability or for more information, please call our school office at 205-879-3237, or visit olsschool.com. Applications are available online now. (Please note that if your child was placed on a waiting list from last year, you must re-apply for the 2021-2022 school year.) Don't forget to find us on Instagram and Facebook too!

We are growing our children in knowledge & faith...Experience the Difference!

Vacation Bible School is a happy and holy tradition in all churches. Planned with social distancing and masks, we find it as safe as almost any place outside the house.

We cannot just stop life and all its activities because we don't want to take the precautions.

This year, we have 96 registered for the Vacation Bible School and only 6 adult volunteers. **WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS!**

It is only from 9 to 12 noon, and we will have a nursery for your children if you are willing to help the parish in our time of need.

We need help for the following stations: crafts, bible adventure, and group leaders. Please call Suzanne Corso (205-871-1431) and offer your services to your parish for these five days, only 3 hours a day.

You will be blessed.
Father Muller



Vacation Bible School

The Greatest Week of the Summer!

June 7-11
9-12pm

Rising 4K-4th graders

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW:

Please SIGN UP ONLINE AT
WWW.OLSPSR.COM

*FULL WEEK Volunteer Perks:
Free Nursery and children attend free!*

Adult volunteers

- Decorations- Before VBS
- Crew Leaders- No teaching required
- Station Leaders-Bible Adventure, Imagination Station, Kid Vid and Nursery
- Clean up Crew- Friday after VBS is over

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

LifeTeen High School

Sunday, May 2: It's time for **Wheel of Destiny!** Join us at 7 p.m. for dinner and games as we wrap up the Spring Semester! Messy games, cash prizes, and hilarious fun. Can't wait to see you and celebrate the end of a great semester.

Wednesday, May 5: Cinco de Mayo! Join us for tacos and games, including a pinata! Rising freshman are invited tonight and all summer long!

Monday, May 17: Senior Dinner! All graduates are invited to eat with the CORE Team on Monday, May 17, at 6 p.m. to celebrate your accomplishments and talk about your plans. We are so proud of you! E-mail ginny@olsyouth.com to RSVP.

High School RETREAT: Steubenville ATL is a Catholic conference happening July 9-11. This retreat fosters a stronger prayer life, better understanding of Catholicism, and gives answers to teens' questions. Sign up today!

EDGE Middle School

Sunday, May 2: Join us for our last event before summer! Parking-Lot-Palooza will take place in front of the FLC. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes! Meet at 7 pm for dinner. **Rising 6th graders welcome!**

Wednesday, May 5: Rising 9th graders are invited to Cinco de Mayo with LifeTeen! Meet in the FLC on the third floor at 7 pm!

Rising 6th Graders: Please visit olsyouth.com and check out the Edge Middle School tab to learn more about our program. Sign your rising middle schooler up for a Welcome bag! Join us Sunday, May 2, for our last Edge of the semester!

2021 PSR First Communicants



Hanes Alberson

Bianca Kaiser

Vivian Albright

Rhett Kaiser

Mark Bahakel

Charlotte Maple

Thomas Bernstein

Grace Maple

Madelynn Browder

Corben Moorhouse

Leanora Chambers

Robert Morgan

Vincent Chambers

Maryon Morton

Annie Clark

Andrew Raycraft

Eleanor Corley

David Rubio

Ayers Dent

Emory Sutherland

Alicia Izcaray

Joseph Svetlay

Sofia Izcaray

If you are driving by the Church in the evening hours between 7:30 and 11 p.m., make sure to look at the stained-glass windows. We have recently had them illuminated and they are something that should not be missed.