



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

June 13, 2021

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People,

The Vacation Bible School this year was a "great success," in spite of Covid, says Suzanne Corso, PSR Director. She and everyone else is grateful to the 24 ADULT HELPERS and the 60 STUDENT HELPERS.

VBS simply could not happen without the volunteer helpers (84). When I looked in the Parish Hall to "see the action," Mrs. Cindy Rogers gave me needed information, and as she left at dismissal, she stated how much she enjoyed and loved working with those young people.

There were almost 100 children who spent the week on the main theme of the session, which was each one of us is priceless to God. He loves each one of us so much.

Many, many, and many thanks for all the prayers and sympathy notes to me on my recent eye surgery. I am giving the following update only because so many ask me individually and I thought I could give the one answer to all.

Dr. Frank LaRussa recommended a doctor at the Callahan Eye Foundation who performed a successful surgery by drilling a hole in the back of the eye to let out the pressure, which was killing the eye itself (Glaucoma). The surgeon warned me about the good chance of having double vision as a result, and that would take another corrective surgery.

To find a surgeon who will operate on an adult double vision problem is very difficult. We found Dr. Ann Marie Arciniegas, and she warned me ahead of time of the success rate, since this is an operation on the muscle on the inside of the eye, which was moved with the previous surgery.

Dr. Ann Marie operated 10 days ago, and I still have very distracting "double vision," which means I see the church is very full these days.

This past week I had another wonderful session with the surgeon who said that I should give the healing more time and the double vision may go away. This is difficult for me since I am not a good patient and having been called "Fr. Grump" a few times, I am trying more for the virtue of patience.

I was extremely excited that the surgeon said if the double vision does not heal itself after this surgery, she is willing to "fix it with another surgery." This pleased me greatly, along with her patience and kindness and drive to bring this sick eye to a successful conclusion. The right eye is perfect, but since I cannot wear a patch because the left eye has to work, it distorts the composite of both eyes in my brain. Since I have a mandate by the surgeon to take several weeks of rest, I will break the no vacation tradition and be on vacation for three weeks.

I am so grateful to the hardworking Fr. Frankline and those two wonderful priests from Holy Family who made the extra effort to "cover for me." I am most grateful to all who have prayed and continue to pray for that left eye. After this last week of extreme optimism on the part of the surgeon, I am grateful to God and to the surgeon, who predicts an ultimate success.

Please keep praying for a self-fix or another surgery, which promises to repair the present problem. This is microsurgery at its best and has its own percentage of not healing as fast as one would like.

Again, thanks for your patience and prayers.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

First Friday Devotions are held on the first Friday of every month at 6 a.m.

First Saturday Devotions are held on the first Saturday of every month at 7:15 a.m.



Mass Intentions

Monday, June 14	Special Intention Anthony Falletta Sp. Int. Stephen Brown
Tuesday, June 15	Vincent Lucia Anne Butera Vincent Lucia
Wednesday, June 16	Special Intention Anna Law Vincent Lucia
Thursday, June 17	Theodore Cook Vincent Lucia Frank Priola
Friday, June 18	Mary Laurie Bracken Sue Portera Sp. Int. John & Tanya Mancha
Saturday, June 19	Donors to OLS School Foundation Tony Lamoureux Donald & Marcelle Taccone
Sunday, June 20	Tim Lovelady/People of Parish Joe Naro Joseph Alfano

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, Carolyn Wright, Bob Doyle, Donald Taccone, Ellen Scalise, Tom James, Mike Skellie, Harriet Dupree, Alan Pizzitola, Kenny Skellie

The Music Ministry would like to thank Msgr. Muller and the OLS parish for taking all the necessary precautions during the pandemic, to ensure the safety of all. Because of this, we are able to bring cantors back to Mass, and we are all extremely excited and grateful to share our voices with the parish, lifting up your prayers to Jesus through song once again. The music liturgy will sound and feel different for the next few months. The congregation is asked to NOT sing with the cantors. Please try to respect this new format and let the cantors lead the music during Mass. We will eventually return to "normal" with choir, congregational singing, and handholding one day soon, but for now, we are taking baby steps. Thank you and God bless you all! - Caroline Spears



The OLS Altar Sodality will be distributing cake mixes for the 4th of July Festival BBQ bulk and plate sale after all Masses on June 12-13 and, possibly, June 19-20. We will be offering whole cakes for \$15 at the bulk BBQ pickup and individual cake slices, brownies, other bake sale items at the BBQ plate pickup. Please pick up one or two in the vestibule as you exit. You may drop off your cake or other baked goods in the OLS school cafeteria either July 2nd or July 3rd from 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Leigh Nabors at 205-[908-5468](tel:205-908-5468). Thank you for your support!

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

Sumer is here! Visit olsyouth.com to see our complete summer schedules.

LifeTeen High School

Wednesday, June 16: Time for some Top Golf! Come have fun with your peers! RSVP required in advance; spots are limited. Meet there at 6:25 p.m. and be sure to bring \$20. We will finish at 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 23: Day retreat to Hanceville Shrine! Meet outside of the FLC at 10 a.m. We will bus to the Shrine for a peaceful day-retreat and be back to OLS by 4:30 p.m. The day will include Mass, exploring the grounds, a tour of the John Paul II Eucharistic Center, praying the Rosary with the cloistered nuns, lunch, and free time to visit the gift shop.

Spots Available for Two Amazing Summer Trips:

Steubenville ATL is a Catholic conference happening July 9-11, where teens will dive into personal prayer, small groups, hear inspiring talks, and more. Sign up today!

Camp Covecrest July 19-24: Join us for a week-long adventure in the mountains of Tiger, Georgia, where the teens will experience a perfect mix of faith and fun.

Email youthminister@ourladyofsorrows.com for details

EDGE Middle School

Ice Cream Sunday, June 27: Meet at OLS at 2 p.m. to ride to an ice cream destination unknown for fellowship and a cool summer treat on us! RSVP to msyouthminister@ourladyofsorrows.com (recommended). Open to rising 6-9th graders.

www.OLSyouth.com

OLS 72nd Annual 4th of July Festival

July 1-3, 2021

BULK BARBEQUE ORDERS - in the OLS school cafeteria

Thursday	July 1	(10am - 4pm)
Friday	July 2	(10am - 4pm)
Saturday	July 3	(10am - 2pm)

On-site Orders - First Come, First Served. No Pre-orders!

Whole Boston Butts, Boneless Turkey Breasts, Chopped Pork, Pork Ribs, Smoked 1/2 Chicken, Beans / Slaw / Sauce / Bread (loaf or buns). **Pricing TBD.**

PLATES - in the Parish Hall

Friday, July 2nd and Saturday, July 3rd
(10:30 - 2pm)

Pork, Ribs, Sliced Smoked Turkey Breast or 1/2 Chicken plus beans, slaw, and bread. Pork Sandwiches and Hot Dogs are also planned. **Pricing TBD.**

RAFFLE Tickets- 19 Prizes!

Drawing Saturday, July 3rd at 3pm

Grand Prize	\$5,000
2nd Prize	\$2,500
3rd Prize	\$1,000
4th Prizes (2)	\$500
5th Prizes (4)	\$250
6th Prizes (10)	\$100

Blank tickets may be picked up in advance in the vestibule or church office or at the Bulk (Thursday through Saturday) and Plate (Friday and Saturday) pick-up locations.

Completed tickets and payment may be dropped off in the church office (ahead of festival) and at Bulk (OLS School cafeteria) & Plates (Parish Hall) on days noted above.

Trash & Treasure, Furniture, Inside Dining, and Games will return in 2022!