



Our Lady of Sorrows Church

June 27, 2021

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People,

A warm welcome to Father Emmanuel Finbarr from Nigeria. He will speak on making contributions to the foreign missions for our yearly foreign Mission Sunday Plan.

Last Sunday I wrote about all the five recipients of the total collection from the diocese. We are privileged to have one of the recipients speak at this parish, who has come from "out of town." Fr. Frankline will speak at St. Francis Xavier at all the Masses this Sunday, and, though Father Emmanuel is from Nigeria, he did travel from Michigan to speak to us at OLS.

Fr. Emmanuel is working and studying in the diocese of Gaylord, Michigan and is a good friend of Bishop Raica. Father will speak at all the Masses on his home country of Nigeria.

Our guest speaker is from a large family of eleven from the Northern part of Nigeria, which borders Cameroon. It is also a country that has been in the news a great deal because of the terrorist group Boko Haram. This terrorist group has kidnapped teens and destroyed so much of the land, as if this group wants to take over the whole country. Though Fr. Emmanuel has been in this country for seven years, helping in the diocese of Gaylord, pastoring two places, and working in the Chancery, he still has his heart in Nigeria and is only on loan, like so many to this country because of our own shortage of native vocations. We thank God, again, for our parish seminarian, Rev. Mr. Chuck Deering, only one year from ordination and with all the hope of making a great contribution to the native clergy with all his innate talents.

Please recognize the needs of countries like Nigeria, which have endured so much destruction by the terrorists and are trying to rebuild. Also, remember the needs of the other four recipients, of which we wrote last Sunday.

Many thanks to Charles Ferlisi, who has maneuvered the Gorrie-Regan property through some narrow straits with the Homewood City Council in different areas of the construction process, of which we have previously written. Now we are free to build the parking lot, which could be named OLS Central Avenue Parking or the Gym parking, since it is so close to the gym. Any more suggestions on the name of the new parking lot? Because building has "come back," we are waiting in line for a contractor to finish another job, and then we will soon see a change of sight as we enter the property on "Parkridge" off Central Avenue.

The redesign of the office "curb cut" traffic lines on Oxmoor is also in line waiting for the traffic engineer we have hired to finish another job. We are so grateful to J. J. Bischoff, who has helped us so much in finding a traffic engineer to "cut a deal" with the City of Homewood to redesign the traffic lines to lessen the danger of using the curb cut.

Again, in thanksgiving to God for our own national security, we need to reach out to foreign countries that struggle to keep and pass on the faith.

Please give Father Emmanuel your welcome, attention, and give God our gratitude for our own Freedom of Religion.

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 28	Special Intention Sp. Int. Charles Vizzina Vincent Lucia
Tuesday, June 29	Mary Agnes Calamusa Sarah Jane Umholtz Lee Maniscalco
Wednesday, June 30	Special Intention Nan Brown Agnes Lobo
Thursday, July 1	Orlando & Victor Gwanyama Sarah Carney Theodore Cook
Friday, July 2	Special Intention Ruby Taylor Fox Lee Maniscalco
Saturday, July 3	Donors to OLS School Foundation Dr. Bill & Mildred Stephens Kaye Boatwright
Sunday, July 4	People of Parish Anthony Falletta Kaye Boatwright

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

**Fourth of July Festival Volunteers—
Please Sign Up Now**

Volunteers are needed for several areas of the festival. Convenient links for each sign-up are located on the Church website:
<http://www.ourladyofsorrows.com/>

Once you sign-up online, each volunteer will receive an immediate email reminder and a second reminder 2 days before your chosen volunteer slot. We ask that children get their parent’s permission before signing up.

Signup sheets are also available in the vestibule.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer but don’t have internet access, please contact Greg Pierre at (205) 907-5605.

Many thanks to all who helped with the cake distribution and baking cakes or other baked items for the 4th of July Festival. Please remember to drop off your cake or other baked goods from 8-10 a.m. on July 2nd or July 3rd. **We are looking for volunteers** to help with whole cake/bulk pickup in the OLS School Cafeteria and the baked item sale in the Parish Hall on July 2nd and 3rd. Please contact Mary Leigh Nabors by cell or text (205-908-5468) or email (mlnabors@bellsouth.net) to volunteer. Thank you.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

How do you welcome others into your heart? Are you willing to give of yourself for others? Let your heart lead you to follow Jesus. (Matthew 10:37-42)
For all new members in our parish, may they be warmly welcomed into this Church community.

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

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

Save the Date! Pool party for all OLS families on Friday, July 30, from 6:15-8:15 p.m. at Homewood Central Pool!

LifeTeen High School

Wednesday, June 30: Service Night and dinner! Time to prepare the adjacent youth room for cleaning and painting. Join us from 5-9 p.m. Be sure to wear clothes that can get dirty. You will receive 4 service hours. We will continue this service on Thursday, July 1, from 12-3 p.m. Be sure to bring a lunch with you!

Steubenville ATL is a Catholic conference happening July 9-11, in Atlanta. 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@ourdayofsorrows.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 (\$40), Boneless Turkey Breasts (\$35), Chopped Pork (\$10/lb.), Pork Ribs (\$20/slab), Smoked 1/2 Chicken (\$7/half), Beans / Slaw / Sauce / Bread (loaf or buns) (\$3 each), Whole Cakes (\$15)

PLATES - in the Parish Hall

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

Plates (\$10): Pork, Ribs, Sliced Smoked Turkey Breast or 1/2 Chicken, plus beans, slaw, and bread.

Pork Sandwiches (\$5)

Hot Dogs (\$2)

Cake Slices/Baked Goods (\$2 each)

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 pick-up in the school cafeteria (Thursday through Saturday) and Plate pick-up in the Parish Hall (Friday and Saturday) pick-up locations.

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