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2nd Sunday after Holy Cross



SEPTEMBER IS DEDICATED TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Each month of the liturgical year is devoted to a particular Catholic tradition. As August is the Month of the [Immaculate Heart of Mary](#), September follows as the Month of [Our Lady of Sorrows](#).

We see this theme of joy followed by affliction mirrored in the liturgical calendar in two September Feasts – the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14 and the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15. Happy the heart of the blessed Virgin Mary! She, without dying, earned the treasure of martyrdom beneath the Cross of our Lord for her anguish has forever memorialized this event.

Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows is very ancient.

One custom owes its origin to the Servite Order, founded in 1233 by a group called the Seven Holy Founders. From the very beginning they sought to live a life dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows.

Through their spirituality they developed a list of the “7 Sorrows of Mary.” It recalls seven events in the life of Mary when she experienced great sorrow.

1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34–35)
2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13)
3. The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem (Luke 2:43–45)
4. The Meeting of Mary and Jesus on his Way to Calvary (traditional)
5. Standing at the Foot of the Cross (John 19:25)
6. Jesus Being Taken Down from the Cross (Matthew 27:57–59)
7. The Burial of Jesus (John 19:40–42)

See Bulletin insert: “**How to Pray the Chaplet of the 7 Sorrows of Mary**”

CLERGY

Fr. Paul Damien, Pastor
Deacon Chuck VanHeusen
Subdeacon Ronald Foster

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Friday
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

LITURGY:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 10:30 AM

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“Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” Lk 2:34-35

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*****Second Sunday after Holy Cross*****

Saturday, September 25 - 5:00 PM: In Loving Memory of Grettir Nesbitt & healing of his family
By the Ladies Guild

Sunday, September 26 - 10: 30 AM: Ovidio Acevedo Sr. (Memorial) By Ace and Patty Acevedo (Park)
The Intensions of Our Parish Family By Fr. Paul Damien (church)

Next 2nd Collection ~ October 24th - World Mission Sunday

Tuesday	Sept 28	9:00 am	St Chariton	Micae (Michael) Thuan By Kim Thanh Nguyen
Wednesday	Sept 29	9:00 am	St. Romanos, known as Rouhanna the Cantor	AVAILABLE
Thursday	Sept 30	9:00 am	St. Gregory The Illuminator	Betty Chiles (Healing) By Marie VanHeusen
Friday	Oct 1	9:00 am	St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Doctor of the Church	AVAILABLE

When not listed Fr Jack will offer his Masses for the Donors & Intentions of the Catholic Extension Society

*****Second Sunday after Holy Cross***
Holy Rosary Sunday**



Saturday, October 2 - 5:00 PM: Marjorie Barry (Memorial) By Ronnie & Kathy Criminger

Sunday, October 3 - 10: 30 AM: Charles Montgomery (Memorial) By Zach and Gabby Parkhurst

MASS INTENTIONS / MASS CARDS

Call Parish Office to request Divine Liturgy
(Mass) Intention.
Mass Cards are also available upon request.

READERS

9/25: Larry Piner 9/26: Zach Parkhurst
10/2: Chris Cooper 10/3: Ed Baez
10/9: Marie Catalana 10/10: Betty Gurney

**SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

2nd Sunday after Holy Cross
1 Col 15:19-34 / Mt 24:1-14

3rd Sunday after Holy Cross
Hoy Rosary Sunday

Phil 3:17 - 4:1 / Mt 24:23-31

4th Sunday after Holy Cross
1 Thes 5:1-11 / Mt 24:45-51



GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING

Make a donation to offer the Incense,
Candles and Wine for one month in
memory or to honor of someone.

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Candles	\$ 64.00
Fuel	\$ 75.00
HVAC /Building Fund	\$ 1020.00

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RELIGIOUS ED / ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP

Religious Ed begins Wednesday September 22nd
6:30PM in the parish social hall.

Parents are welcome to join the **Adult Discussion Group**, led by Deacon Chuck, that meets every Wednesday evening while youth attend Religious Ed. Each week reading material is emailed beforehand on different topics for discussion.
Let us know if interested so you will get the email!

HOW CAN I SERVE

Here are a few ways to help!

Sunday Refreshments:

Volunteers are needed for October! Sign up with Marie Reale-Catalana and she can explain all this entails.

Lawn Care: See Marie VH if you would like to be on her text list for periodic Church & Rectory lawncare!

CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES

St. Michael's has been asked to contribute **jams/ jellies and peanut butter (ANY SIZE)**

Place donations in the basket next to the Confessional.



August total was 78lbs



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYs

Josef Gabriel Nesbitt, Alex VanWy, Joshua Dinse, Jude Dinse, Melissa Dinse David Nelson, Miriam Carswell, Bill Murray, Joseph Palmer, Ulla Nesbitt, Katie Green, Chuck VanHeusen, Alex Averitt, Mary Louise Barefoot, Lou Mullins, Betty Morgan, Mason Chapman, Jessie Southern, Madison Monsour Gia Cat Vo-Nguyen and Lori Criste.



ADORATION

Every Thursday
9:30am - 6:00pm
Rosary & Benedic-
tion begin at 6pm



Please sign up today, at the church entrance to spend an hour with our Lord!

"People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer.

What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer."

~St Teresa of Calcutta

VOCATIONS CHALICE

9/25: Volunteer
9/26: VanHeusens
10/2: Volunteer
10/3: Hahns



*The Church needs men & women eager to commit their lives to serving the Church through the priesthood & religious life. Consider taking the Vocation Chalice into your home for a week.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



Ronnie and Loredona Jordan
John and Jennifer Kenning
Steven and Blayne Royse

Prayer Chain



Please contact Lucy Zahran at church or call the church office to **join the prayer chain** or with **prayer requests.**

GO FOR THE GOAL UPDATE

Check out the thermometer in the social hall showing \$\$ collected for the much needed new HVAC & Roof.

To date we have collected \$16,655 of the \$30,000 goal.

When donating please identify them as "For the HVAC/ROOF. "

Thank you for your support!



PINEWOOD DERBY

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Saturday October 16th

Weigh in begins at 10:00am

Races to begin when weigh-ins are complete.

Lunch buffet will be ongoing beginning at 11:00am

POC Warren Hahn for more information

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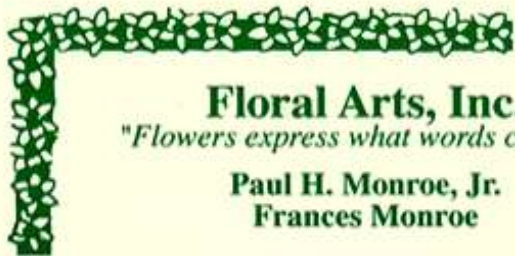
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Matthew 25:40

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How to Pray the Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows of Mary

To pray this chaplet in memory of Our Lady’s Seven Sorrows, the custom is to pray the Our Father once and then the Hail Mary seven times for each sorrow. At the very end, three Hail Marys should be prayed in honor of Our Lady’s tears.

It is suggested when praying the chaplet to say an Act of Contrition at the very beginning, recognizing the role our sins had in Our Lady’s sufferings.

See below the meditation on Mary’s sorrows is to announce each sorrow before praying the seven Hail Marys.

With this confidence in my heart, I meditate on the

First Sorrow, when Mary, Virgin Mother of my GOD, presented **JESUS** her only Son in the Temple, laid Him in the arms of holy and aged Simeon, and heard his prophetic word, “The sword of grief shall pierce thy soul,” foretelling thereby the Passion and Death of her Son **JESUS**.

The Second Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she was obliged to fly into Egypt by reason of the persecution of cruel Herod, who impiously sought to slay her well beloved Son.

The Third Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when, after having gone up to Jerusalem at the Paschal Feast with Joseph her spouse and **JESUS** her beloved Son, she lost Him on the way back to her poor house, and for three days bewailed the loss of her only Love

The Fourth Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she met her dear Son **JESUS** carrying to Mount Calvary on his tender shoulders the heavy Cross whereon He was to be crucified for our salvation.

The Fifth Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she saw her Son **JESUS** raised upon the hard tree of the Cross, and blood flowing from every part of his sacred Body, and then beheld Him die after three hours agony.

The Sixth Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin was when she saw the lance pierce the sacred Side of **JESUS**, her beloved Son, the nails withdrawn, and his holy Body laid in her purest bosom.

The Seventh and last Sorrow of the Blessed Virgin, Queen and Advocate of us, her servants, miserable sinners, was when she saw the Holy Body of her Son buried in the grave.

V/. Pray for us, Virgin most sorrowful.

R/. That we may be made worthy of the promises of **CHRIST**.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, **O LORD JESUS CHRIST**, that the most blessed Virgin Mary, thy Mother, may intercede for us before the throne of thy mercy, now and at the hour of our death, whose most holy soul was transfixed with the sword of sorrow in the hour of thine own Passion. Through Thee, **JESUS CHRIST**, **SAVIOR** of the world, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

The Chaplet of the Seven Sorrows is a beautiful tradition in the Church and allows a soul to walk the *via matris*, following Mary who kept all of these sorrows in her heart.