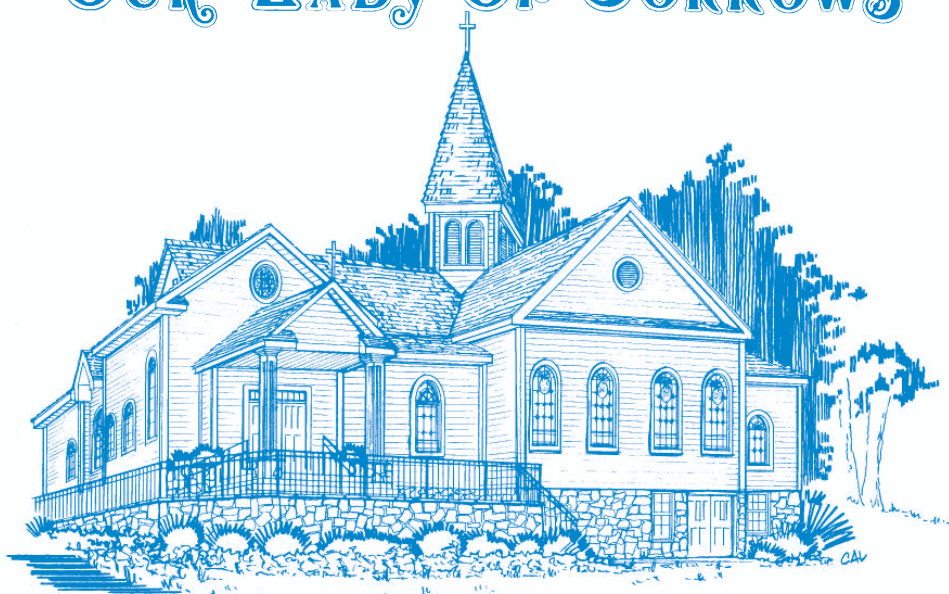


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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:30 P.M.
Sunday: 8:30 A.M. and 12:00 P.M.
Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 A.M.
Holy Day Vigil: 7:00 P.M.
Holy Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Sunday: 11:15 A.M.-11:45 A.M.
W&F 8:00 A.M. – 8:25 A.M. Also by appointment contact the office

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Sunday: 1:00 P.M. Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Visit our website for information and contact the parish office to make arrangements.

SICK CALLS: Please notify the Pastor when a parishioner is in the hospital or confined at home and wishes to receive the sacraments.

ALTAR SERVERS: Jane Bodnar 860-767-2060 and Cathy Jenkins 860-767-8497.

ADORATION / HOLY HOUR: Saturday: 4:00-5:15 P.M. and Wednesday: 9:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.

NOVENA: Miraculous Medal Wednesday: 9:00 A.M.

PRAYER CENACLE: Friday: 9:00 A.M.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Michael Berdensey, Grand Knight
860-304-6839

OFFICE HOURS: M-T-W-F 8:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. closed Thursday
Office Administrator: Caitlin Riley, office@olos-sx.org

PASTOR HOURS: Wednesday and Friday 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. or by appt.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Joyce Leach 860-767-2705
dre@olos-sx.org

PARISH COUNCIL: President, Walter Wiegert 860-767-3209
parishcouncil@olos-sx.org Council meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 P.M. in Murtha Hall.

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST: Irene Listorti 860-388-9884

CHOIR PRACTICE: Adults Thursday: 7:30 P.M.

BULLETIN: Copy deadline is noon on Monday bulletin@olos-sx.org

ALTAR SOCIETY /PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY: Contact the office

OLOS WOMEN'S GUILD: Co-Presidents Jackie Beck 860-304-3643 and Angela Johnson 860-395-5603.
The Guild meets the third Tuesday of the month.

LITURGY COMMITTEE: Irene Listorti 860-388-9884
Meets the first Tuesday of each month.

REMEMBER OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Welcome new parishioners. We want to know and serve you. Please introduce yourselves after Mass. We hope you become an active part of our Parish family.

MISSION STATEMENT

"As parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, we commit to provide a community for all, based on the faith of our Catholic values, traditions, and beliefs, that fosters a spirit of love, education, and a sense of family."

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions

Saturday April 25th

8:30 St. Joseph's
4:00 St. Joseph's
5:30 +Parish family

Sunday April 26th World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:30 Altar Servers
10:00 St. Joseph's
12:00 +Jeanne and Hugh Flynn by Don, Lauren and
Zakh Flynn

Monday April 27th

8:30 +Freda Junkmann by the Junkmann family

Tuesday April 28th

8:30 St. Joseph's

Wednesday April 29th

8:30 +Bill Robb by Andrea Gaines

Thursday April 30th

8:30 St. Joseph's

Friday May 1st

8:30 +Fr. Francis A. Liszewski

Saturday May 2nd

8:30 St. Joseph's
10:30 Our Lady of Sorrow's First Communion
4:00 St. Joseph's
5:30 +Irene Heller by Suzanne Deens

Sunday May 3rd

8:30 +John and Crezilda Read by the Read family
10:00 St. Joseph's
12:00 For the Confirmation class



Candles

The Tabernacle Candle will burn in memory of the beloved dead of the **Colburn and Carroll families** by the family. The Sanctuary candle will burn in memory of **Theresa Stopa** by Anna Pollock.

From Fr. Peter

*Good shepherd leads, feeds
and saves his sheep.
Mutual trust, knowledge
and communication are essential.*

*Jesus laid down his life for us.
His care goes beyond the good sheep;
It is extended to the last sheep and
even to those not belonging to his fold.*

*Do we as sheep try to know, trust
and follow him, our good shepherd?*

Circle of Prayer

*To be able to recognize Jesus in the ordinary
circumstances of our daily life.*

Weekly Offertory

April 18-19	\$2,805.00
Online giving	\$214.00

*Thank you for your generous support of the parish
and the Annual Catholic Appeal.*

Confirmation Mass

Sunday, May 3, 12 p.m.

*Our Bishop is coming to our parish to confirm 23
candidates on May 3, at the noon Mass. I invited him
on a Sunday so that the sheep may have an
opportunity to relate with its shepherd. On Easter
Sunday at 8.30 a.m. Mass our church was packed with
370 people. I don't mind if the church is packed once
again. I invite you for that Mass. God bless you.*

Fr. Peter

Please keep in your prayers...

All those listed in your book of petitions

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Upcoming Events

- April 26th World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- May 2nd, 10:30 a.m. First Holy Communion
- May 3rd, 12:00 Confirmation with Bishop Cote
- May 4th Third Order of Mary Outdoor Crowning after 8:30 Mass
- May 12th, 6:30 p.m. Fr. Peter's Bible Study in Murtha Hall

Women's Guild Scholarship

The Women's Guild will be awarding one college student a \$500 scholarship for the 2015/16 school year. All college students (Freshman – Senior) are eligible to apply. Applicant or applicant's family must be registered parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows. Scholarship applications are available in the office or by email officeolos@comcast.net. All applications are due by **May 15th, 2015**.

Diaper Drive

The Confirmation Class will be sponsoring their class community service project. Once again this year they will be collecting diapers for the CT. Diaper Bank. Last year we collected over 4,000 diapers. The Diaper Bank supplies diapers to low income families throughout CT. Diapers can be dropped off at the rear of the church. We are looking for all sizes from, newborn to pull-ups. Thank you.

Passion and Purpose Event **St. George's Church in Guilford**

On Friday September 25th from 7:00 –10:45 p.m. Matthew Kelly invites us all to identify God's voice in our lives and the specific purpose for which we've been created. Matthew inspires attendees to apply the genius of Catholicism to every aspect of our lives including prayer & spirituality, personal finances, health & well being, and community involvement.

Tickets are \$39.00 if you are interested contact Joyce Leach at 860-227-8778 by My 1st.

World Day of Prayer For Vocations

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life , both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Third Order of Mary

Our May Meeting will be after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Monday, May 4 where we will participate in the Outdoor Crowning of Our Lady's Statue, the Recitation of the Rosary and a Discussion of the 1st Chapter of 15 Days of Prayer. Discussion will be held two times, once at 9:30 a.m. in Murtha Hall and again at 6:30 p.m. in the church

Pilgrimage to Lourdes, La Salette, and Fatima

Fr. Elson will be leading a tour for our parishioners and friends, to some holy sites in Europe. The trip will visit the shrines of Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Lourdes, and Our Lady of La Salette, three major apparitions of Our Blessed mother. The trip includes visits to sites in Portugal, Grenoble France, Burgos and Barcelona Spain and Geneva Switzerland. The trip is October 2-13, 2015. The cost is \$4,299 which includes air fare, accommodations, food and insurance. If you book before May 2nd you will save \$200 per person making the trip \$4099. Brochures are available in the vestibule of the church. For further info contact Fr. Elson at 860-208-0663 or by email at el-sonms2001@yahoo.co.in.



Tweets from Pope Francis

Mary, Mother of Sorrows, help us to understand God's will in moments of great suffering.

APRIL 26TH, 2015

Our Lady of Sorrows Altar Servers

Altar Server	Years Served
Elizabeth Allen	1
Lauren Allen	1
Jordan Azzinaro	2
Mandy Beck	7
Caroline Bodnar	3
Jack Bodnar	2
Erin Breintenbach	2
Clark Burleson	1
Davis Burleson	2
Billy Burch	2
Riley Burch	2
Tommy Burch	2
John Capezzone	8
Victor Cartagena	First
Mackenzie Cart	2
Rachael Cipolla	5
Carmen Clarkin	8
Christian Clarkin	5
Courtney Clarkin	7
Kristen Dean	7
Hanna Dolan	2
Zach Dolan	2
Jack Finnegan	2
Grace Jacaruso	2
Maddie Jacaruso	2
Margaret Jacaruso	2
Julia Jenkins	7
Will Kelly	1
Jake Lawless	2
Paul Lawless	2
Connor Lunz	3
Myah Martinez	1
Cece Mulligan	1
Patrick O'Rourke	2
Christian Perron	7
Madison Poulin	2
Jack Riley	2
Madden Riley	2
Mike Ryan	5
Dan Ryan	7
Megan Ryan	9
Ian Silva	1
Ryan Silva	1
Sean Watson	8

Thank you to all the Altar servers, and to Jane Bodnar and Cathy Jenkins for leading this important Ministry. Your hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated.

APRIL 26TH, 2015

Altar Server's Needed

Dear Parents and Families,

Our parish is in need of more Altar Servers; any CCD student who has made his or her First Holy Communion may become an Altar Server once trained.

The goal of the training is to provide guidance to the child about their role and afford a reliable Altar Server schedule to cover Mass (one is usually scheduled once every 4 weeks).

Training will be scheduled after this years 2nd grade students receive the First Holy Communion so that they may have the opportunity to join if interested.

If your child is interested in joining this important ministry please contact one of us below and we will be sure to inform you of the dates/times of future trainings.

Always feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Cathy Jenkins 860-767-8407 cathandscott@yahoo.com

Jane Bodnar 860-767-2060 janebodnar@comcast.net

Xavier High School Summer Camp

Xavier High School is holding athletic summer camps for young men in grades 6-9. At the camps students will learn fundamental skills of sports, meet coaches, players and develop communication and leadership skills. For more information visit www.xavierhighschhol.org/summer2015 .

Defending Our Religious Liberty #165

April 26, 2015

We must remember that when the Supreme Court rendered its decision about the federal health care mandate and upheld it as a tax, it did not rule on the First Amendment aspect of the mandate. This is why we must encourage our lawmakers to continue to fight to change the mandate so that it honors our God-given right to freedom of religion.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445. Let her know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

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