

Our Lady of SORROWS CHURCH



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A Reflection on the Gospel:

"What are these healings to Christ? Modernity, with its vital social and caritative sense, has tried to define the Lord as the great philanthropist, the friend of mankind who saw and helped its sufferings wherever possible. But modernity is over-simplifying. Love, yes; and deepest sympathy – his heart overflows with them. Even the Gospels, usually so reticent about feeling, frequently refer to these: "and when he landed, Jesus saw a large crowd, and had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things." (Mark 6:34)



Yet Jesus is not merely a great figure of charity with a boundless heart and tremendous capacity for service. He makes no attempt to track human suffering to the root in order to eradicate it. He is no social reformer fighting for a more just distribution of material wealth. The social reformer aims at lessening suffering; if possible at removing it. He tries to meet human needs in a practical manner: to prevent misfortune, to readjust conditions in order that happy, physically and spiritually healthy people inhabit the earth. Once we see this clearly, we realize that for Jesus the problem is quite a different one. He sees the mystery of suffering much more profoundly- deep at the root-tip of human existence, and inseparable from sin and estrangement from God. He knows it to be the door in the soul that leads to God, or that at least can lead to him; result of sin but also means of purification and return. This is obviously what is meant by his words about taking up the cross and following him (Matt. 16:24). Perhaps we come nearer the truth when we say: Christ did not avoid pain, as we try to. He did not ignore it. He did not insulate himself from it. He received it into his heart. Sufferer himself and realist, he took people as he found them, with all their shortcomings. Voluntarily he shared their afflictions, their blame, their need. Herein lies the immeasurable depth and breadth of Christ's love. Its power is the triumphant power of truth in a love which seizes reality and lifts it out of itself. Jesus' healing is divine healing; it reveals the Universal Healer and directs towards him. It is inseparable from faith."

-Romano Guardini, *The Lord*

REMINDER:

We are going to a new Sunday Mass schedule starting

October 15 and 16th:

Saturday- 3:30 PM Confessions 4:00 PM Mass

Sunday- 11:00 AM Mass

Parish Office Hours

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Monday-Friday

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Weekly Schedule

Saturday

Confessions 3:30 pm

Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday

Mass 11:00 am

Wednesday and Thursday

Confession 11:30 am

Mass 12 Noon

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 11:00 am

Baptism and Marriage

Call for information

To register to become a parishioner, return slip on back page or call the office

OCTOBER 9, 2022
28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, October 8—28th Sunday in Ord. Time

4:00 pm † Caecilia Kleine, Lucie Mactal, Spec. Int.

SUNDAY, October 9—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

10:30 am † Carole Faltermeier

MONDAY, October 10

TUESDAY, October 11—St. John XXIII, Pope

WEDNESDAY, October 12

Noon

THURSDAY, October 13

Noon

FRIDAY, October 14—St. Callistus I

SATURDAY, October 15—29th Sunday in Ord. Time

4:00 pm † Brian Waldbillig

SUNDAY, October 16—29th Sunday in Ord. Time

11:00 am † Carole Faltermeier

Please Note: MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass intentions listed above reflect the intention for each day that is being said. If the intention is on a day when there is no public Mass they are said privately by Fr. Leonard during his personal daily Mass.

Our weekend Masses will have the intention for that day. We do have days with openings for intentions coming up. Call or email the office to schedule a Mass intention you would like to have. 816.421.2112 or bgeist@oloskc.org

Mission Sunday Collection

On October 22-23 we will have a second collection for the Mission Sunday Collection. In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world. Jesus asked that we preach the Gospel, "making disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Mt. 28:19-20) We ask that you be as generous as you are able in support of the Church's missions throughout the world.

Volunteers

10/8 & 9	4:00pm	8:30am	10:30am
Reader	Anthony Effertz	Bill Capotosto	AnnMarie Creedon
Eucharistic Minister	John Pileggi	Nancy Lowdon	Joe Creedon
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	Tonnye Armstrong	George Bryde
Usher	Ed Stevens	Ted Tschirhart	

10/15 & 16	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Lynette Wheeler	Molly Schmidt
Eucharistic Minister	Anthony Effertz	Richard Grindell
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Edward Stevens	Richard Grindell

Readings for the Week of October 9, 2022

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
 Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41
 Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
 Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54
 Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
 Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12
 Sunday: Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-8; 2 Tm 3:14 — 4:2; Lk 18:1-8

Parish Calendar of Events

- **October 14—Wedding** at 2:30pm.
 - **October 15—Wedding** at 1:30pm.
 - **October 15—Wedding** at 6:00pm.
 - **October 18—Water Garden Society** 5-9pm Hall
 - **October 22—Wedding** at 2:00pm.
 - **October 22-23— Mission Sunday Collection**
 - **October 29—Wedding** at 1:30pm.
 - **October 29—Wedding** at 6:00pm.
 - **November 1—All Saints Day**
Holy Day of Obligation (Time to be announced)
 - **November 4— Wedding** at 3:00pm.
 - **November 5— Wedding** at 1:30pm.
 - **November 11— Wedding** at 2:00pm
- Keep watching for more info & dates to come!**

Weekly Activities & Events



Saint of the Week— Saint Teresa of Calcutta

October 15th is the feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta, more commonly known as Mother Teresa. Born in the Ottoman Empire as Anjezë Gonxhe, she joined the Loretto Sisters in Ireland at 18, where she was almost immediately sent to Calcutta, India. She soon began teaching but was affected by the severe poverty of the region. On a train ride to her annual retreat, Mother Teresa heard what she would later describe as a “call within a call” to found a new order to serve Jesus in the poorest of the poor, which would become known as the Missionaries of Charity. She was granted permission and underwent basic medical training. She soon began to go out to the slums to visit anyone that she could find, giving basic care to those who were sick, being present for those who were dying, running an orphanage for abandoned children, and, in every case, seeking to give those that she met the dignity that they deserved as human beings. In all things she sought to encounter Jesus in all that she met. Today, the Missionaries of Charity has over 5,000 sisters and more than 760 missions in 139 countries.

The Knights of Columbus

The Knights are reconvening following the pandemic. The Knights of Columbus is the single largest Fraternal organization in Church history. Its 7 million members and their families are dedicated to the ideals of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. We work to benefit our communities, our Church and our fellow men and women. Knights have long placed a special emphasis on programs to benefit people with various needs, giving both financially and through community service. We will be having our annual Tootsie Roll drive for those with intellectual disabilities in October, and have been asked to help Our Lady of Good Counsel at their new Academy this fall, patrolling the parking lot before and after each school day. Please contact Brad Geist or John Pileggi for more information.

For your reflection:

Man cannot live without love. He remains a being that is incomprehensible for himself, his life is senseless, if love is not revealed to him, if he does not encounter love, if he does not experience it and make it his own, if he does not participate intimately in it. This, as has already been said, is why Christ the Redeemer “fully reveals man to himself”. If we may use the expression, this is the human dimension of the mystery of the Redemption. In this dimension man finds again the greatness, dignity and value that belong to his humanity. In the mystery of the Redemption man becomes newly “expressed” and, in a way, is newly created. He is newly created! “There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus”. The man who wishes to understand himself thoroughly—and not just in accordance with immediate, partial, often superficial, and even illusory standards and measures of his being—he must with his unrest, uncertainty and even his weakness and sinfulness, with his life and death, draw near to Christ. He must, so to speak, enter into him with all his own self, he must “appropriate” and assimilate the whole of the reality of the Incarnation and Redemption in order to find himself. If this profound process takes place within him, he then bears fruit not only of adoration of God but also of deep wonder at himself. How precious must man be in the eyes of the Creator, if he “gained so great a Redeemer”, and if God “gave his only Son” in order that man “should not perish but have eternal life”

In reality, the name for that deep amazement at man's worth and dignity is the Gospel, that is to say: the Good News. It is also called Christianity. This amazement determines the Church's mission in the world and, perhaps even more so, “in the modern world”. This amazement, which is also a conviction and a certitude—at its deepest root it is the certainty of faith, but in a hidden and mysterious way it vivifies every aspect of authentic humanism—is closely connected with Christ. It also fixes Christ's place—so to speak, his particular right of citizenship—in the history of man and mankind. Unceasingly contemplating the whole of Christ's mystery, the Church knows with all the certainty of faith that the Redemption that took place through the Cross has definitively restored his dignity to man and given back meaning to his life in the world, a meaning that was lost to a considerable extent because of sin.

—St. John Paul II, *Redemptor Hominis*

Office of Child & Youth Protection—Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate Whitney True-Francis, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Weekly Activities & Events

Last Weekend's Collection

From September 26 to October 2, 2022

Plate.....\$382.51

Envelopes.....\$2096.00

Prayer of the Week

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

(Attributed to St. Bernard of Clairvaux)

"All generations will call me blessed": "The Church's devotion to the Blessed Virgin is intrinsic to Christian worship." The Church rightly honors "the Blessed Virgin with special devotion. From the most ancient times the Blessed Virgin has been honored with the title of 'Mother of God,' to whose protection the faithful fly in all their dangers and needs. . . . This very special devotion . . . differs essentially from the adoration which is given to the incarnate Word and equally to the Father and the Holy Spirit, and greatly fosters this adoration." The liturgical feasts dedicated to the Mother of God and Marian prayer, such as the rosary, an "epitome of the whole Gospel," express this devotion to the Virgin Mary. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 971)

Ministry Surveys

We are still accepting Ministry Surveys! Make your voice heard about what kind of ministries you would like to see offered at our parish. Let us know what needs you have and how we can help you grow ever closer to Christ. Please find them in the back of the Church, fill them out, and return them either to the office or to the collection basket at the next Mass.

Prayers Requested

Pray for Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Rose Ann Jett, Jane Carey, Mike Burke, Maurice Carey, Jerry Gumming, Ken Blundell, Allan Schaff, Sandra Freeman, Grace Weatherford, Jim Randolph, Joe Creedon, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera

A Note From The Editor

Announcements and changes for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office in writing no later than Wednesday by Noon. Please indicate which dates you would like the notice to run.

Please mail the information to the office or fax it to 816.421.6037 or email Brad at the office at bgeist@oloskc.org.

The Legion of Mary— First Meeting

A new praesidium of the Legion of Mary will be having its first meeting in the next couple of weeks here at Our Lady of Sorrows. The Legion of Mary is a Marian group that, confident in the help of Mary, seeks to imitate her in serving Jesus in those they meet. Focused on works of evangelization and spiritual works of mercy, the Legion sees itself as the army of Mary, who to the devil and his forces is "fair as the moon, bright as the sun, and terrible as an army set in battle array." The Legion was founded in 1921 in Dublin, Ireland and has since grown to become the largest lay apostolate in the Church with over 10 million members worldwide. There are two types of membership— active, which is detailed above, and auxiliary, which is a group of members who promise to pray for the Legion. Both are necessary and essential. This will be a group that will collaborate with parishioners of St. Monica Catholic Church, our sister parish. If you would like to join the Legion or want more information, please contact Brad at bgeist@oloskc.org for more information. Stay tuned for more information about the first meeting in the coming weeks!



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Please drop in collection basket or mail to the Parish Office.