



Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9AM-4:00PM, Fri 9AM-2PM

The bread of God

*is that which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world.*

John 6:33



August 1, 2021

**EIGHTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY
TIME**

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Mass Times

Weekdays 8AM - English
Thursday 7PM - Spanish

Saturday 5:30PM - English (Vigil)

Sunday 8AM - Polish
9:30AM - English
11AM - English
12:30PM - Spanish

Adoration

Thursday 9AM - 7PM
First Friday 5 - 6PM

Confession Times

Thursday 6 - 6:50PM
Saturday 5 - 5:20PM
Sunday 9:10 - 9:25AM
10:40 - 10:55AM
12:10 - 12:25PM

Our Parish Staff

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Mass Intentions

SUN 01	8:00AM Polish Intentions 9:30AM +Raymond Aguillon Special Intention Otto Talamantez 11:00AM +Armand Sanchez 12:30PM +Eddie Lopez
MON 02	8:00AM Reversal of Roe vs. Wade
TUES 03	8:00AM Danny Maldonado Special Intention Nina Marie Ramirez
WED 04	8:00AM Special Intention Armando Campos
THUR05	8:00AM +Mary Ann and John Tokheim 7:00PM For the holy souls in Purgatory
FRI 06	8:00AM +Robert Maldonado
SAT 07	5:30PM Our Lady of San Juan de Los Lagos +Don Roland

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Thursday, August 05
- Adoration 9am-7pm
- Devotion to Seven Sorrows of Mary at 5:30pm
- Mass in Spanish at 7pm
Friday, August 06
- Adoration 5-6pm
Saturday, August 07
- Talleres de Oración de 10am-12pm

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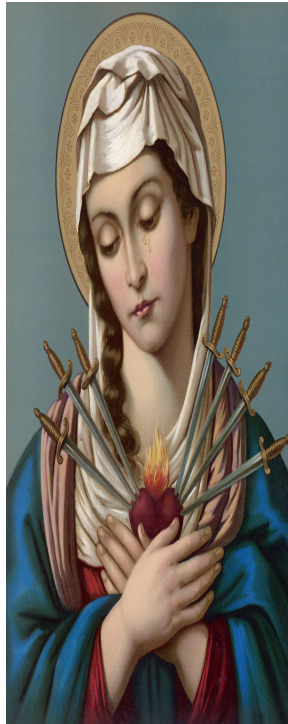
Collection July 17-18

First Collection	\$1,629.58
Second Collection	\$640.20
Candles	\$198.00
Donations	\$594.20
Mass Intentions	\$127.00

Mass Attendance: 281

Second Collections:

August 8	For the Church Maintenance Fund
August 15	For the Building Fund



Readings for the Week

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Dear Parishioners,

Today we are celebrating the 18th Sunday of ordinary time. In the first reading of Exodus God promises the Hebrew people That He sends the manna to satisfy their hunger of Bread. This foreshadows the Bread of eternal life that He gives to us in each Mass; Our Lord asks us to clothe ourselves with Jesus' virtues, "so that you could put on the New Man that has been created on God's principles, in the uprightness and holiness of the truth. "(Eph 4:24)

Every Sunday, we leave our homes and forget the worries of work to go to Mass in the parish. Why do we do it? Why have believers been doing this since the early centuries of Christianity? It will be helpful for today and the two following Sundays to meditate on the Gospel of John of the multiplication of the loaves and the Eucharistic talk. Jesus is the bread of life. Man is a beggar in need of eternal life.

Let us make each Mass a true celebration as a personal encounter with Christ. Jesus has left us his life, his Church, and his body so that we might have life and abundant life. Jesus said: "I am the bread of life. No one who comes to me will ever hunger; no one who believes in me will ever thirst." (Jn 6:35) During China's 1911 Republican Revolution or the earlier Boxer Rebellion (1899-1901), anti-Catholic militants seized a Catholic parish. They confined the pastor to house arrest. From his rectory window he witnessed the desecration of the Church. He knew that there had been thirty-two consecrated hosts in the tabernacle. An eleven-year-old girl was praying at the back of the church and the guards either did not see her or else paid no attention to her. She returned to the Church that night and made a Holy Hour and then consumed one of the sacred hosts, bending down to receive Jesus on her tongue. She continued to return every night, making a nightly Holy Hour, and consuming one sacred host. On the last night, the thirty-second night, unfortunately a guard was awakened after she consumed the sacred host. He chased her, grabbed her, and she died a martyr. Venerable Servant of God Archbishop Fulton Sheen became aware of her martyrdom while he was a seminarian. He was so inspired by her sacrifice that he promised to pray a holy hour before the Blessed Sacrament each day for the rest of his life. The eleven year old girl could have had no idea how she would have influenced a future bishop who would in turn influence millions and promote Eucharistic Adoration. We also have no idea how our witness and sacrifices influence others. Our prayer should be this: Lord, give us always this bread!

Let us seek to have every week at least one day a holy hour before the Eucharist. In our parish we have adoration all day Thursday and on First Friday for one hour. May the Eucharist be the source that regenerates us and fills us with peace and courage in the challenges of life.

Father Dennis Venegas



Saint Peter Julian Eymard (August 2)

St. Peter Julian Eymard, whose feast the Church celebrates on August 2, helped many Catholics - both clergy and laypeople - to rediscover the importance of the Eucharist. He is also considered a pioneer in involving laypeople more actively in the life of the Church. Saint Peter Julian Eymard was born near Grenoble, France, in 1811. He had wanted to enter the priesthood as a youth, but his father forbade him because he wanted Peter Julian to take over the family business. Finally, at the age of 18, he was permitted to join the Oblate novitiate. However, he became very ill, so ill that he was sent back home to die. However, Peter Julian made a remarkable recovery and entered the seminary once again after his father passed away. He was ordained to the diocesan priesthood in 1834, but later joined the Marists. In 1851, he answered a call to establish a community of men dedicated to Eucharistic Adoration, called the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament. Its mission was to promote the importance and significance of the Eucharist. The congregation also worked with the poor and helped them to prepare for first Communion. The founder died in 1868 and was canonized in 1962.