

# CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME

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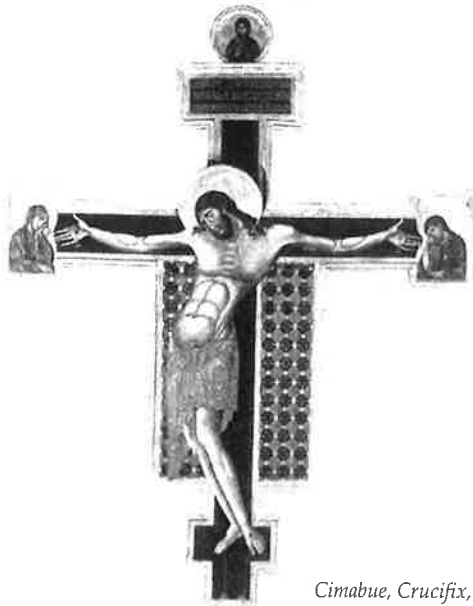
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## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2020

September is Dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows



Cimabue, Crucifix, 1268-71

### Public Mass Resumed at Notre Dame

There is still no obligation to attend.

All precautions must be taken:

- Masks must be worn.
- Social distancing (6 ft) is a must.
- No physical contact - (for peace sign, Holy Communion received in hand)
- Frequent use of hand sanitizer
- Please enter and exit only through the side door nearest

### Schedule for the Church of Notre Dame

**SUNDAY MASSES:** 10:00 A.M. (French/Français), 11:30 A.M. (English)  
1:00 P.M. (Spanish/Español) NO 5:30 P.M. Mass  
Saturday Vigil 5:30 P.M.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Mon.-Fri., 12:05 P.M. & 5:30 P.M., Sat., 12:05 P.M.

**NATIONAL HOLIDAYS – ONE MASS** (church & rectory closed after Mass.)

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND ROSARY:** (M-F and first Saturday) following the 12:05 P.M. Mass

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** by appointment-please call the rectory

**EVENING PRAYER:** Daily, following the 5:30 P.M. Mass

**SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND MATRIMONY:** by appointment

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES NOVENA:** Tuesdays, following 12:05 P.M. Mass

**CHURCH IS OPEN:** Mon.-Fri. 9:00 A.M.- 6:30 P.M.; Sat. -7:30A.M.-  
6:30 P.M., Sun. 8:00 A.M.-6:30 P.M.

### Fr. Michael's Sunday Homilies Online

[www.youtube.com/c/FrMichaelKHolleran](http://www.youtube.com/c/FrMichaelKHolleran)

[www.michaelkholleran.org](http://www.michaelkholleran.org) [www.facebook.com/frcarthusian](http://www.facebook.com/frcarthusian)

**Archdiocese of New York - Accessing Mass wherever you are**

Mass is available via the Catholic Faith Network. For times and locations, visit: [catholicfaithnetwork.org/masses](http://catholicfaithnetwork.org/masses)

Mass from St. Patrick's Cathedral available on the Catholic Channel, Sirius XM 129 at 7:00 & 10:00 A.M.

For information visit: [siriusxm.com/thecatholicchannel](http://siriusxm.com/thecatholicchannel)

**Mass Livestreams:**

St. Patrick's Cathedral - YouTube, Facebook  
[stpatrikscathedral.org/live](http://stpatrikscathedral.org/live)

**St. Patrick's Mass Schedule**

Mon.-Fri. 7:00 A.M., Saturday 8:00 A.M., Sunday 10:15 A.M. (English)

4:00 P.M. Misa Domenical (En Español) at: [UnivisionNuevaYork.com](http://UnivisionNuevaYork.com)

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon.-Sat. 12:00 P.M. -1:00 P.M.

### Mass Intentions Twenty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

<b>Saturday, September 12, Vigil</b>	Sirach 27:30-28:7
5:30 P.M. Martin, Ann and Solomon	Romans 14:7-9
<b>Sunday, September 13</b>	Matthew 18:21-35
10:00 A.M. (French) For Marie-Immaculée and Children & Grandchildren, Mr. & Mrs. Hervé Fuertes & Children, Blessings for Youre Piankhy & Noah Gabriel Othelot, and for the Repose of the Soul of Jules Likoua Grahore+	
11:30 A.M. For the People	
1:00 P.M. (Spanish) Margherita & Emily Secco+ (Anniversary for both)	
<b>Monday, September 14 EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</b>	Numbers 21:4-9
12:05 P.M. Dina Santos Romero+	Philippians 9:6-11
5:30 P.M. Pauline & Raymond and Annette & Ronald De Marco+	John 3:13-17
<b>Tuesday, September 15 OUR LADY OF SORROWS</b>	1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31, John 19:25-27
12:05 P.M. Pilgrims to Notre Dame	
5:30 P.M. In Honor of Our Lady of Sorrows	
<b>Wednesday, September 16 ST. CORNELIUS, ST. CYPRIAN</b>	1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 Luke 7:31-35
12:05 P.M. Toc Chu+	
5:30 P.M. Esterina Colgrande +(Anniversary)	
<b>Thursday, September 17 ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE</b>	1 Corinthians 15:1-11
12:05 P.M. Roger Spencer Jones+	Luke 7:36-50
5:30 P.M. Mary Ellen Young+	
<b>Friday, September 18</b>	1 Corinthians 15:12-20
12:05 P.M. Conrado, Augusta, Alvin and George+	Luke 8:1-3
5:30 P.M. José, Angeline, Albert and Richard+	
<b>Saturday, September 19 ST. JANUARIUS</b>	1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49 Luke 8:4-15
12:05 P.M. Veronica Gannon+ (Birthday)	

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Margherita & Emily Secco - September 13<sup>th</sup>*  
*Esterina Colgrande - September 16<sup>th</sup>*

### The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross

September 14<sup>th</sup> commemorates the discovery of the Holy Cross. St. Helena was eighty years old when she made the pilgrimage to the Holy Land and located what was believed to be the tomb from which Jesus rose, and nearby, uncovered the True Cross. Tradition says that the Holy Cross was found with two other crosses in a ditch and covered by stones. (A Jew named Judas, pointed out the place to the excavators. Today, he is known as St. Cyriacus.) To identify the Cross of Jesus among the three, the crosses were taken to the bedside of a woman, who was dying. When touched by the true Cross, she was immediately made well. St. Helena had a man brought to her, who was already dead and buried. By contact with the Cross, this man came to life. St. Helena's son, the Emperor Constantine, built the first Church of the Holy Sepulcher over the empty tomb and a shrine on Mt. Calvary, where the Cross had been found. The Persians destroyed the church and carried off the Cross. The Cross was recovered and returned to Jerusalem in 629, [Crusaders rebuilt the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in the 12<sup>th</sup> century]. The type of cross on which Jesus Christ died was called the "crux immissa," which means that the vertical trunk extended a certain height above the transverse beam because His crime was judged grave. Scientific examination of the fragments (relics) of the Cross revealed that it was a pine tree. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is an occasion that reconfirms the victory of Christ. Wednesdays and Fridays are dedicated to this remembrance.

**Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows-**The story of Mary's suffering together with Jesus, is embedded in tradition, the 2000-year memory and life of the Church. The lives of mother and Son were interwoven in the salvation of the world. St. Ambrose spoke of Mary as a sorrowful yet powerful figure at the cross. In "Salvifici Doloris," No. 25, St. John Paul II describes it as an "intensity which can hardly be imagined from a human point of view, but which was mysteriously and supernaturally fruitful for the redemption of the world." Seven sorrows of the Blessed Virgin: 1) prophecy of Simeon at the presentation in the temple, 2) flight into Egypt, 3) loss of Jesus when He was twelve, 4) meeting of Mary and Jesus on the road to Calvary, 5) Crucifixion, 6) taking down of Jesus' body from the Cross, and 7) the burial of Jesus.

**THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-** Two weeks ago we were asked to accept the hardships involved in fidelity to our Christian commitment. Last week, we were called to loving mutual correction. Today, a new dimension is added to an already demanding lifestyle. We must let go of anger, harbor no resentments, and cling to no past wrongs. In today's first reading from the Old Testament (Sir 27:30-28:7) Sirach urges us to forgive others if we want the Lord to forgive us. He points out the hypocrisy of seeking mercy for ourselves when we are not merciful to others. Remembering the mortality, we all share should not only keep us from sin; it helps us to "set enmity aside." In today's gospel (Mt 18:21-35) Our Lord's parable of the unforgiving servant contrasts the infinite nature of the forgiveness God extends to us and the petty grievances we hold against one another. Matthew seems to suggest that our treatment of those who wrong us is a powerful factor in determining our final destiny. In the second reading (Rom 14:7-9) St. Paul for his part gives, in a few phrases, a magnificent summary of the beauty of the Christian life. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as the Lord's servants." Another aspect to today's readings is the totality of our Christian commitment. We may not pick and choose which of Jesus' values we will embrace. If we call ourselves Christians, we must embrace them all. Here again we will often find ourselves at odds with the broader society, but we must determine to be faithful to our baptismal promises. If we value life, then we value all life, "from womb to tomb; if we value justice, then we work for justice for all people, regardless of inconvenience; if we say we value truth, then we must embrace truth, even when it hurts. Then we can truly proclaim with the psalmist, "The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion."

**Thank you for your generosity.**  
 Sept. 6, 2020 Weekly collection \$1,273.00  
 Maintenance \$535.00 Poor Box \$104.00

**SECOND COLLECTION - ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY, Sunday, September 27, 2020**

**WeShare** -During this time, WeShare is available to everyone and we ask that all who can, to please make your contributions through WeShare. Your help is much appreciated. **WeShare** at: [www.ndparish.org](http://www.ndparish.org) and click on WeShare.



**CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL** Notre Dame's Goal: \$31,000  
**Pledged: \$15,045 (49% of goal)**  
 We are obviously considerably behind, principally due to the pandemic. It is still possible to reach our goal as the campaign has been extended until the end of the calendar year. We thank all who have already given and ask those, who have not, to please show your support. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church.

**This Week at Notre Dame...**  
**CENTERING PRAYER**  
 Monday, 9/14 7:30 P.M. Grotto  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES NOVENA**  
 Tuesday, 9/15 after Exposition  
**CENACLE OF LIFE**  
 Wednesday 9/16 After the Rosary, and offering prayer, second Rosary  
**DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART** -Fri., 9/18  
 Following 12:05 P.M. Mass & Rosary

**Notre Dame's Religious Education Program -English**

**This Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be an in-person registration after the 11:30 A.M. Mass in the rectory basement cloister area near the statue of Our Lady.**

All children in our Parish of Notre Dame, who have not received Communion or Confirmation and who are not involved in a religious education program should register for Notre Dame's program. Baptism preparation is also available. Whether classes will be in person or by remote is still being discussed. To register online, go to the link on the parish website: [www.ndparish.org](http://www.ndparish.org) or at: <https://forms.gle/LoLVPayfvPFuzo9a9>

**Give Your Child the Gift of a Catholic Education**  
**Register online for Catholic Elementary Schools in The New York Archdiocese**  
 Admissions are open for the 2020-21 School year. Scholarships are available. *Each family that enrolls will receive a credit on tuition for the full amount of registration fees.*  
 Online application at:  
[www.CatholicSchoolsNY.org](http://www.CatholicSchoolsNY.org) or by calling 646-794-2885 for assistance.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for September**  
 That the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.

**FORMED -The Catholic Faith on Demand.** To get connected, email: [Formed@archny.org](mailto:Formed@archny.org)

**Catholic Relief Services**  
 Donate by phone: 1-877-435-7277; mail: CRS Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203.

**Catechetical Sunday, Sept. 20, 2020**

Theme: "I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you."

It is an opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. (USCCB)

**Return to Public Worship and Sacramental Celebrations**

- Some General Principles
1. Obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended
  2. Those at higher risk for COVID-19 (elderly, underlying health conditions) are urged not to come to Mass.
  3. All parishioners and visitors must wear face covering.
  4. Social Distancing to be practiced. Every other row used; singles 6' apart, couples together, but 6' from neighbor, families together in rows designated for families
  5. Attendees are to sanitize hands at sanitizer station at doors
  6. Holy water fonts are empty.
  7. All social gatherings remain suspended including coffee after French Mass.
  8. Offertory procession and the sign of peace are omitted.
  9. Hosts are to be received in the hand, not on the tongue. Step to the side to consume.
  10. Collections will resume but parishioners are urged to use *WeShare*.
  11. No greeting of people after Mass
  12. Confession available by appointment.

**Faith Goes Beyond Numbers** by Timothy Cardinal Dolan

Numbers...measurements...statistics...metrics...percentages...rates... How our lives seem to be ruled by numbers! I wait anxiously for my blood pressure, my blood counts, and, yuck, even my weight! There are matters we can grasp, understand, tackle. They are clean and clear. That Aaron Judge can hit a ball 517 feet is a marvel. We can watch and cheer. That the stock market index goes up can cause relief. That interest on our savings rises is applauded. That our weight goes down emits a sigh of victory. That a waist size decreases brings disbelief! Yes, we are big into numbers. Even the Church rejoices as we read that the population of Catholics in the world increases. When Catholic New York reports eleven ordinations to the priesthood, or that the enrollment in our Catholic schools is up a bit, we are glad. Numbers can cheer us up; numbers can depress us. An attention to these metrics is understandable. To pay attention to the measurements affecting our health and wellbeing is wise. The human intellect relies on what can be measured, charted, graphed, analyzed, scientifically or medically examined. The numbers don't lie: counting, adding up, seems necessary, natural, and harmless. In fact, not to do so appears foolish and perilous. King David showed such common sense. Those of us who daily pray the divine office read recently that David counted his people. (2 Samuel 24:1-4, 10-18, 24-25). He simply took a census. Sure seems a reasonable thing for a ruler to do. Yet, the Lord gets mad: He punishes David! Why? The Lord is infinitely wiser than we are. Our measurements hardly apply to Him. For Him, a thousand years are but a day! He has no watch, calendar, scale, yardstick, microscope, adding machine, or Dow Jones average. No earthly metrics define, control, or constrain Him. God knew that His servant, David, was relying on numbers. His census gave him a sense of power and control. It tempted him to pride in the growth and prosperity of Israel. He just might begin to trust more in what was measurable and quantifiable than in the Lord... As potent as the measurable is, what cannot be quantified is infinitely more so. As people of faith, we put ultimate confidence in what cannot be seen, analyzed, measured, counted, or quantified. We trust what is invisible: the power, grace, mercy, promises, and revelation of the God who cannot be programmed into a computer. That bread and wine become His Body and Blood; That He is alive in a clumsy, stumbling, sinful Church; That whispered prayers are heard and answered; That He is still with us when trouble comes and hearts break; That He makes and keeps promises; That virtue is rewarded and the ways of sin sooner or later catch up with us; That sins can be forgiven and progress in holiness is possible; That life eternal awaits and that the joys of this life are but hints; That nothing can separate us from the love of God; **That the man on the Cross rose from the dead...** All of these, none of them measurable, are worth counting upon!