

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

**Happy
the nation
whose God
is the Lord,
the people
chosen as his
very own.**

PSALM 33:12



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**OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH
LINWOOD, NEW JERSEY
JULY 5, 2026**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 12, 2026

8:00 a.m. * For the People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. † Mary Pat Cullen
R/B Friends at Berger Realty
† Phil Munafo, John Ordille, & Jay Duggan
R/B Their Wives

Saturday, July 4, 2026

8:00 a.m. † Joseph Effs
R/B Chris Price
5:00 p.m. * For the People of the Parish

Sunday, July 5, 2026

8:00 a.m. † Elizabeth & Edward Quish
R/B Family
† Joseph Schroeder
R/B Jackie Carney & Family
10:00 a.m. † Joseph Hiers, Jr.
R/B Patricia Diamond
† Charles Weiss
R/B Joseph & Joan Gerace
† Mildred Zerillo
R/B Danielle, Rodeo & Boys
† Lorene LaRose
R/B Gregory Family

Monday, July 6, 2026

7:45 a.m. † Rev. Albert E. Hershaw
R/B Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

7:45 a.m. † Matthew Tedesco, RIP, Birthday
R/B Family
6:30 p.m. † Susan Williams
R/B Bill & Linda Gussie

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

7:45 a.m. † Osias Corrales, RIP, Birthday
R/B Family

Thursday, July 9, 2026

7:45 a.m. † Rev. Edward F. Heintzelman
R/B Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

Friday, July 10, 2026

7:45 a.m. † Dan Lawler
Sandilands Family

Saturday, July 11, 2026

8:00 a.m. † Joseph & Jeanne Lapointe
R/B Family
5:00 p.m. † Alison Kaufmann
R/B Carrie Gilson
† Joseph Schroeder
R/B Tom & Patti Hunt
† Cynthia Russomanno
R/B Justine Lacadoz Family

Fourth of July Prayer

Fr. Ed Hays

A Pilgrim's Almanac, p. 111

We lift up our hearts, O God,
on this day of celebration in gratitude
for the gift of being Americans.

We rejoice with all those who share
in the great dream of freedom and dignity for all.

With flags and feasting, with family and friends
we salute those who have sacrificed
that we might have the opportunity
to bring to fulfillment
our many God-given gifts.

As we deny all prejudice a place in our hearts,
may we also clearly declare our intention
to work for the time when all people,
regardless of race, religion, or sex,
will be granted equal dignity and worth.

AROUND THE PARISH

PRAY for the SICK

Please pray for the sick & those that care for them

Steven Ackerman, Carlo Amico, David Black, Kathleen Carre, Rodger Cooney, Dennis B., Fred Dettinger, Rhodie Dettinger, Tom Delany, Judy DeSalle, Steve Fayne, Stanley G., Rosemary Germanio, Pamela Goncales, Dave Goodelman, Herb Grana, Kay Higginbotham, Bruce Kern, Peter Kotsakis, Rick Kroger, Vickie Kroger, Karen Lake, Emily Lewis, Lowry Family, Richard Mc, Joe Migone, Mikala,, Richard Miller, Michelle Miller, George Minnitti, Maryann Rotilla, Chris Silva, John R. Smith, Ginny Sutor, Jennette Trumbauer, Rose Vetter, Terry Lee Williams, Elizabeth Jane Wright, Edna Zetazate and two special intentions.

Please call the parish office to have your loved-ones added to the list.



If you or a loved-one are homebound and unable to attend Mass, one of our Extraordinary Ministers would be happy to visit and bring you Holy Communion. Call the Parish Office and set up a day and time when they can visit with you.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING

We are happy to announce that Our Lady of Sorrows Church is holding an Extraordinary Ministry Training class. The schedule is as follows:



Saturday August 29, 2026
8:30am-12:30pm
Location: Parish Hall

We are in need of Extraordinary Ministers. If you would like to serve our Parish in this ministry please call Fr. Lobo at the parish office.



Happy 4th of July



WEEKLY EVENTS

Mondays: Cleaning of the Church
9:00 am - 11:00 am
Rosary - 6:00 p.m.

Tuesdays: Legion of Mary
9:30 am - 10:30 am
Holy Spirit Prayer Group
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm - Hall

Wednesdays: Holy Rosary & Chaplet of Precious Blood
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Church

Thursdays: Cleaning of Church
9:00 am - 11:00 am

Fridays: Bingo - Doors open at 6:00pm
Games start: 7:00 pm

Upcoming



Sunday, July 12th
Saturday, July 18th &
Sunday, July 19th

Relics of Saints - Annex
Propagation of the Faith - C
(Representative to speak)

Weekly Collection

The bulletin was due at the Publisher's before the collection figures were available. They will appear in next week's bulletin.

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Liturgical Ministers

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OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation

LECTORS—July

Saturday 5:00 P.M. R. Cerullo
 Sunday 8:00 AM. T. White
 Sunday 10:00 AM. D. Price

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS—July

Saturday 5:00 PM D. Giehl/K. McCusker/
 S. Pietrofitta
 Sunday 8:00 AM. J. Khoury/M. Tull/
 J. Lapointe
 Sunday 10:00 AM. L. Gussie/B. Weaver/
 Volunteer

ALTAR SERVERS - July 4th & 5th

Saturday 5:00 PM S. Lucino/C. Fitzgerald
 Sunday 8:00 AM. T. McClaren
 Sunday 10:00 AM. Jesse Karins

Curious About the Catholic Faith?

Do you know someone who has been worshipping with us but never officially taken the steps to become Catholic? Perhaps you are a baptized Christian from another tradition interested in the Catholic Church, or a baptized Catholic who has not yet received Confirmation or First Communion? "We invite you to come and see." Our (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) program offers a welcoming environment to ask questions, explore our faith and journey together. No commitment is required to start—just an open heart. Please contact the Parish Office at 609 927-1154 and someone from the OCIA program will reach out to you. Signup sheets are in the back of the church.



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The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association Of Catholic men and women who have formed themselves into a body to be of service to the Church. Founded in Ireland in 1921, it now serves in more than 170 countries throughout the world. Mary the Immaculate is the model and through her its members seek to present Christ to everyone. The objective is the spiritual formation of all confirmed members of the church through Prayer and Lay Apostolic Work to realize their vocation to holiness. Our Lady of Sorrows Praesidium (this is what a parish Legion of Mary group is known as) meets each Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Church Annex. You are most welcome to join us. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend our next meeting. For further information contact:



The Parish Office is closed on
 Monday, July 6th in
 observance
 of Independence Day.



Doors open: 6:00p
 Games start: 7:00 pm
 All are welcome
 Come and have a fun time!



Mass cards, Sanctuary Candles and Bread & Wine remembrances for our loved ones, living or deceased are available. Please stop by or call the Parish Office to reserve your date.



Our Lady of Sorrows Walking with Moms in Need continues to collect diapers, wipes, formula and more for our local Pregnancy Resource Center, Jersey Shore Women's Center. Please leave donations in the box at the back of the church or put gift cards to Walmart, Shoprite, Wawa (gas

money), Target, and the like into envelope labeled "For Walking with Moms in Need" and drop off at the parish office. Your donations help to offset costs and are greatly appreciated!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY
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- * Salad dressings (various)
- * Canned/powdered various soups (clam chowder), Stews
- * Peanut butter (Crunchy), jelly & jam (various)
- * Bread, rolls, & crackers
- * Coffee
- * Canned fruit (peaches), applesauce
- * Snacks, granola bars
- * Instant oatmeal, cereal (various)
- * Shampoo & Conditioner, body wash, soaps, toothpaste

Please leave groceries in the vestibule of the church on the weekends. Thank you.



Whether you're traveling, relaxing at home, or enjoying time with loved ones, may this summer be a season of renewal, reflection, and rejoicing in the Lord's abundant grace. Let us continue to walk in faith, share His love, and shine His light wherever we go. We look forward to worshiping with you and celebrating all the blessings this season brings! Stay safe, stay blessed, and have a joyful summer!

Reflection by **Rev. Leonard N. Peterson**

I suppose it's a natural choice on this occasion of our 250th anniversary as a nation to focus on the famous people linked with our founding particularly in terms of their special qualities. These make not only for good observation but also for worthy imitation. So, we have, for example, George Washington's courage. Or Thomas Jefferson's eloquence. John Adam's persistence and Ben Franklin's inventiveness. You may have a different list of qualities for the same roster. But all of it would be seen as a tribute to their foresight and vision for what became the United States of America.

Yet on any Sunday morning, of high festivity or more regular celebration, we must pay decisive attention to God's holy Word in the Bible as the first half of every Mass. We call it "the Liturgy of the Word" and so it is. From it we learn various lessons on how best to imitate Christ Jesus Our Lord by focusing on qualities of His seen in their perfection. This ensemble of Readings today puts the accent on His less heralded virtue called "gentleness."

That word needs clarification, if for no other reason than the times we live in might argue that it is a waste of time and effort. Here is a good definition of it that I discovered: "Gentleness in the Bible is described as a vital characteristic that embodies humility, kindness, and patience, reflecting inner strength rather than weakness. It is often associated with Our Lord's teachings, and it is encouraged as a fundamental aspect of Christian conduct in relationships with others."

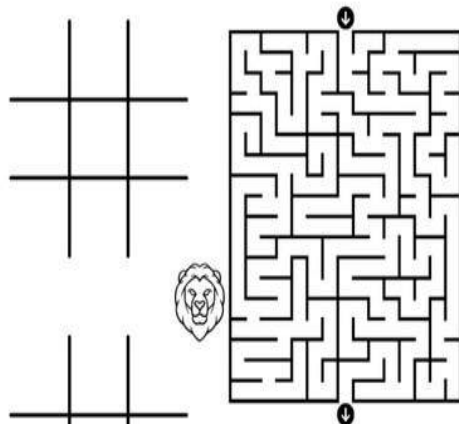
In the gospel for today we have a beautiful aspect of Our Lord's teaching on gentleness: His invitation for all those who are feeling burdened, tired, or overwhelmed, to come to Him for rest and comfort. In today's fast paced world, where stress and burnout are common, we need to hear Him. He wants us to adopt that gentleness in dealing not only with others, but also with ourselves. That's the formula for true peace. Even if we are never as famous as George, Thomas, John and Benjamin.

In the first grade, Miss Grant said that my purple tepee wasn't realistic enough, that purple was no color at all for a tent, that purple was the color of people when they died, and that my drawing wasn't good enough to hang with the others. I walked back to my seat, head bowed. With a black crayon, I brought nightfall to my purple tent in the middle of the afternoon.

In the second grade, Mrs. Henson said, "Draw anything." She didn't care what. I left my paper blank and when she came around to my desk, my heart beat like a tom-tom. She touched my head with her small hand and in a soft voice said, "The snowfall. How clean and white and beautiful!"

God love you and give you a gentle heart.

Bible Story Activity Sheet



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- THE BRIGHT AND MORNING _____
- THE _____ OF THE WORLD

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WORD SEARCH



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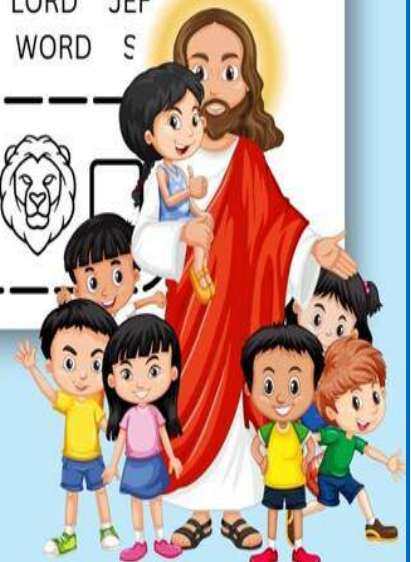


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- 2 THE GOOD _____
- 3 PRINCE OF _____
- 4 _____ OF _____



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