St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Risen Lord Catholic Church



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The Seven Sorrows of Mary

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

78 St. Josephs Lane Woodlawn VA 24381-1101 Sunday English Mass 11:30am Spanish Mass: 2:30 PM Daily Mass: Wednesday & Friday 9:00am Spanish Weekday Mass : Thurs. 6:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass 11:00-11:15 am

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59 Mountain View Park Stuart, VA 24133 Sunday Mass<u>:</u> 8:30 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sun. 7:45-8:15am

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598 Needmore Lane, NE Floyd, VA 24091 (540)763-6000 Mass: English Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:15-4:45pm

First Saturday of the month: Traditional Latin Mass 10am, followed by Holy Hour and Benediction.

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By DD Emmons writing for SimplyCatholic.com

Catholics have long associated the Latin term dolor, meaning "sorrow" or "pain," with the sorrows of Mary, the Mother of God. She is often pictured with seven swords, representing seven sorrows, piercing her sinless heart. What exactly are these seven sorrows, and what are the origins of this particular Marian devotion? The early Christians, telling of the passion and death of Jesus, remembered the

agonizing sorrow the Blessed Mother experienced as she stood at the cross, watching the crucifixion of her divine Son. Devotion to the Sorrowful Mother gained in popularity during the Middle Ages, and, in some locations, meditation on her was expanded beyond the scene at the cross to encompass other events from the time Jesus was arrested until He was laid in the tomb. Not until 1727, however, was a special day included in the Church's universal liturgical calendar to recall the sorrow of Mary at the crucifixion and death of Christ. In that year, Pope Benedict XIII added a universal feast, known as the feast of the Sorrows of Mary, to be celebrated the Friday before Passion Sunday. The liturgy that day, the prayers, the readings and the beautiful hymn Stabat Mater (literally, "The Mother Was Standing") all focus on the Blessed Mother as she stood brokenhearted on the hill of Cal-

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FATHER HERMAN EXPLAINS THE HOLY MASS (A THREE PART SERIES)

The objectives of the Holy Mass: The faith community gathers for the public celebration of the Eucharist in order to praise and worship God, ask His forgiveness for sins, thank Him for all the blessings received, and listen to His words in Scripture. We also present our needs and petitions, offer our lives to God, and gain spiritual nourishment and recharge our weakened spiritual batteries by sacramentally sharing the Body and Blood of Jesus our Savior. The structure of the Eucharistic celebration is organized to achieve all these goals. Customary there is mannerism for each part of the Mass. All worshippers are expected to act uniformly. The Eucharistic celebration consists of mainly three parts: **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD, THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST AND THE DISMISSAL**.

These parts of Mass are further subdivided into shorter segments.

Today I share this lesson on the Liturgy of the Word. The liturgy of the Word, prepares our mind and hearts for worthy celebration of the Holy Eucharist and includes:

The introductory rites:

Before Mass begins worshippers gather in the church ahead of time to do private prayer and meditations. This brief recollection assists the congregants to put themselves in the mood of prayer and also put together the needs they want to present to God. The Mass begins with the opening hymn and everyone at this point is expected to stand up. The Priest and the altar servers process in towards the altar to begin the Mass. On arrival at the altar and at the end of the opening hymn the priest kisses the altar makes the sign of the cross and greets the people with words "The Lord be with You".

If there is no singing at the Entrance, the antiphon given in the Missal is recited either by the faithful, or by a reader; otherwise, it is recited by the Priest himself.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD.

The Penitential Rite: in which we ask forgiveness for our sins. The Gloria: The Gloria in *excelsis* is a most venerable hymn by which the Church, gathered in the Holy Spirit, glorifies and entreats God the Father and the Lamb. The Gloria is not sung during lent and advent seasons as well as on week days except when a feast or a solemnity fall on a weekday.

The opening prayer: or The collect: The Priest calls upon the people to pray and everybody, together with the Priest, observes a brief silence so that they may become aware of being in God's presence and may call to mind their intentions. Then the Priest pronounces the prayer usually called the "Collect" and through which the character of the celebration finds expression. After the opening prayer or the The collect everyone is expected to sit down and listen to the readings. In the celebration of the Mass with the people, the readings are always read from the ambo.

One reading is read on weekdays and two readings on Sundays and other solemnities and sometimes on feast days. The first reading, usually from the Old Testament is followed by the Responsorial Psalm which fosters meditation on the Word of God. The Responsorial Psalm should correspond to each reading and should usually be taken from the Lectionary.

The Gospel which is always read by a priest or by a deacon is preceded by a Gospel acclamation commonly known as Alleluia. However during the season of Lent the Gospel Acclamation is done without Alleluia.

Everyone is expected to stand up to welcome the Gospel. The lector can invite the congregation to rise, however if they don't so, the word Alleluia can tickle everyone to stand up.

A Homily (Sermon) which enlarges on some part of the day's scripture readings and is an exhortation to accept the Word of God and put it into practice.

The Homily is part of the Liturgy and is highly recommended, it should take into account both the mystery being celebrated and the particular needs of the listeners.

The Creed: In the Creed or in the profession of faith we publicly profess our faith. The purpose of the Creed or Profession of Faith is that the whole gathered people may respond to the Word of God proclaimed in the readings taken from Sacred Scripture and explained in the Homily and that they may also honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith by pronouncing the rule of faith in a formula approved for liturgical use and before the celebration of these mysteries in the Eucharist begins.

The General Intercessions: It is during this that faithful also participate directly in offering their prayer to God. It is desirable that there usually be such a form of prayer in Masses celebrated with the people, so that petitions may be offered for holy Church, for those who govern with authority over us, for those weighed down by various needs, for all humanity, and for the salvation of the whole world.

This is end of the first Part of the Mass.

MATTHEW 25 PILL BOTTLE MINISTRY

In developing countries, medicines—when actually obtainable are often dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves or any other available container. Matthew 25 Ministries accepts donations of empty pill bottles to help improve health care quality in developing nations. Donations of clean, unlabeled pill bottles help the poorest of the poor in many ways: Medicine can be distributed in sterile containers. Pill bottles that are not appropriate for shipping are recycled for cash that goes towards Matthew 25:Ministries' programs.

This plastic recycling program keeps thousands of bottles out of landfills each year.

Matthew 25: Ministries accepts the following types of empty pill bottles: Prescription pill bottles, all sizes Pill bottles with and without child resistant caps Over-the-counter pill bottles.

Bring your bottles to any Parish and they will be delivered to Risen Lord.



Please support the <u>All Saints</u> yard sale on Sept. 11th from 8am - 1pm. Any items you have to donate, please contact Mary Avila by text at 765 631 1957 or Jessica Mammi at jtrombley@mail.com or call 540 763 6000.

ALL SAINTS REQUESTS YOUR PRAYERS

Two residents at Skyline Nursing Home Barry Wells and Gladys Genova would be very appreciative of visits or cards. As of the time of the printing of this bulletin, no prior arrangements are necessary to visit Barry or Gladys in-room. You may simply go to the nursing home during normal hours, wear a mask, sign-in and fill out a COVID questionnaire. Cards/notes/flowers, etc. may be dropped off at the front desk of the nursing home any time. Visits through the residents' windows may also happen any time during the day without prior arrangement. We encourage everyone who is able to participate in this corporal work of mercy of visiting the sick and please keep Barry and Gladys in your prayers. Thank you!



Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. Take time for your marriage and learn how to be the best spouse you can be by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Sep 24-26, 2021 in Warrenton, VA and Nov 5-7, 2021 in ATLANTIC BEACH, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <u>https://renewmarriagevasouth.org/</u>

ALL SAINTS SEMINARIAN BEGINS STUDIES

William Yearout (All Saints parishioner) has just begun his seminary studies. Please consider sending him a card than others

Some white collar jobs are more challenging others

to show your support and ensure him of your prayers at the following address:

William Yearout Mount St. Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Rd Emmitsburg, MD 21727

All Saints will host a Latin Mass on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00AM followed by a Holy Hour and Benediction

ALL SAINTS COVERED DISH

Parishioners of All Saints will resume their covered dish on the third Saturday of each month following the 5:00 Mass Covered Dish will be held Lutheran Church Hall across the street from All Saints. All are welcome!



ALL SAINTS PARISHIONERS HELP THE <u>NEEDY</u>

During the month of July All Saints Floyd VA delivered fifty -five pounds of food to local food pantry Plenty . At this time, Plenty is looking for donations of canned tomatoes, canned chicken, and ESPE-CIALLY canned tuna.

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vary. This feast day remained on the Church's calendar until 1969.

The Servites' Feast

One institution that had long promoted devotion to the sorrowful mother of Jesus was the Servite religious order, founded in Italy in 1234. Five years after their founding they adopted the sorrow of Mary at the cross as their principal devotion. that sharing in His life of rejection would be like a sword piercing her soul. Certainly, such forebodin prophecies must have troubled the young mothe 2) The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt (see M 2:13). Simeon's prophecy was soon realized. The C

A second feast, on the third Sunday in September and specifically dedicated to the Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary, was formally granted the Servites by Rome in 1668. As this devotion spread, there was for some years controversy regarding which seven sorrows would be included in the list. It is generally accepted that the list we recognize today originated with the Servites.

The Servites' feast was extended to the universal Church in 1817 and celebrated each year on the day following the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, which takes place on Sept. 14. Consequently, for 150 years, the liturgical calendar included two similar feast days honoring the Sorrowful Mother: one feast on the Friday before Passion Sunday, and the other in September.

Today, as a result of the Second Vatican Council calendar reforms, there is only one liturgical feast day commemorating the suffering and sorrow of Mary. This feast is an obligatory memorial that takes place on Sept. 15 and is known as the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. While the Seven Dolors are not explicitly noted during the liturgy of this memorial, many Catholics on this day faithfully recall them in Rosaries, prayers, novenas and other devotions.

The Seven Dolors

The Seven Dolors identify seven events or periods in the Blessed Mother's life when her suffering, prompted by events in her Son's life, was most intense. Bible scholars have pointed out that while some of the sorrowful events contained in the devotion are not specified in Scripture, they likely did occur. Here are the seven:

1) **Simeon's prophecy during the presentation of Jesus** (see Lk 2:35). Like all firstborn Jewish males, the baby Jesus was taken to the Temple in Jerusalem to be presented to God. According to Luke's Gospel, there was, in the Temple, a devout old man named Simeon who joyfully recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah. The happiness of this moment turned somber, however, when Simeon prophesied that the Child's life would be one of "contradiction." This prophetic announcement would indeed be fulfilled as the very people Jesus

came to save from sin would reject, insult and eventually murder Him.

Simeon further indicated that Mary, too, would suffer, that sharing in His life of rejection would be like a sword piercing her soul. Certainly, such foreboding prophecies must have troubled the young mother. 2) **The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt (see Mt 2:13).** Simeon's prophecy was soon realized. The Gospel of Matthew tells us that when alerted by the Magi to the birth of Jesus, King Herod of Judaea worried that this Child, proclaimed as the King of the Jews, would become a threat to his throne. So, Herod ordered the killing of all boys 2 years old or younger, in and around Bethlehem.

During a dream, an angel warned Joseph to take Mary and Jesus into Egypt. Despite the prospect of such a long journey, Joseph left without hesitation, and the Holy Family remained in Egypt until Herod died. That the Son of God would begin life fleeing from His homeland was yet another indication to Mary of the difficult road Jesus was destined to walk.

3) The loss of the Child Jesus for three days (see Lk 2:41-46). When Jesus was 12 years old, St. Luke reports, He went with His parents from Nazareth to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. The men traveled together in one group, the women in another; the children could travel with either group.

On the way home, Mary and Joseph discovered that Jesus was not with the men or the women. Greatly distressed, they rushed back to Jerusalem and, after three days of desperate searching, found Him unharmed in the Temple conversing with teachers of Jewish law. He was not lost and wondered aloud to a relieved but confused Mary and Joseph, "How is it that you sought me?"

In this event, Our Lady was painfully reminded that Jesus belonged first and foremost to God.

4) Meeting Jesus on His way to Calvary (see Lk 23:27-31). Tradition holds that Mary was among the women that Scripture tells us lamented Christ's painful walk with the cross along the way to Calvary. Mary's grief must have been extreme as she witnessed Jesus, unjustly accused, stumbling, falling with the cross on the road to the place He would die.

She had also likely been part of the crowd that was present when Pilate handed Him over to be crucified, but she could only watch in agonizing sorrow. Now, coming face to face with Him, Mary saw the bleeding, swollen, pitiable state of her Son. His helplessness, desolation and abandonment penetrated her heart. 5) **Beneath the cross (see Lk 23; Jn 19).** The Romans

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used public crucifixion as the form of execution for non-Roman criminals. The Gospels tell us that Mary stood with a few followers of Jesus watching His crucifixion. She no doubt wept to see Him cruelly nailed to a cross, to see the soldiers gamble for His clothes, and to watch His slow, torturous death.

How awful it is for any parent to watch a child die and no one ever endured more agony than Mary. She was the only person who truly understood who He was and, in her heart, she died with Him.

6) Jesus is taken down from the cross (see Lk 23; Jn 19). According to Scripture, Joseph of Arimathea took the body of Jesus down from the cross; according to popular tradition, Joseph laid Him in the lap of His grieving mother.

Mary saw the bruises and wounds from all the physical torture Jesus had experienced, including the great open wound caused by the Roman soldier's lance. She who had given Him His Body and Blood cradled her lifeless Son, the Son of God, in her arms.

7) **Jesus is placed in the tomb (see Mk 15; Lk 23; Jn 19).** Mary, broken and grief-filled, no doubt watched as Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus prepared the body of Jesus for burial. They acted without delay, since the Mosaic Law required burial before nightfall. We can only try to comprehend the immensity of Our Lady's suffering when the tomb was sealed, as she thought about all the anguish and pain He had endured.

On all these seven occasions, and no doubt many more, our Blessed Mother shared the sufferings of her Son. The sword, as Simeon predicted, did indeed pierce her soul.

When we meditate on these events, we learn to join our own sufferings to those of Jesus and Mary, so that we ourselves might grow in holiness.



Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows

Our mother of sorrows, with strength from above you stood by the cross, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus, and with tender care you bore Him in your arms, mourning and weeping. We praise you for your faith, which accepted the life God planned for you. We praise you for your hope, which trusted that God would do great things in you. We praise you for your love in bearing with Jesus the sorrows of His passion.

Holy Mary, may we follow your example, and stand by all your children who need comfort and love.

Mother of God, stand by us in our trials and care for us in our many needs. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen!

Food Sale Fundraiser for St. Joseph

The St. Joseph Hispanic community will be having a food sale on Sept. 18th from 8am-2pm at the Tractor Supply store in Galax.



Saint Joseph Hiking Group Forming

A hiking group is looking to be formed here at



Saint Joseph . Exercise, Prayer and Reflections are the goals of these local hikes. Interested persons should reach out to Emerald Young for more information 276 744 5055 eden5@protonmail.com

TRI AREA PREGNANCY CENTER BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

St Joseph Church received a Certificate of Appreciation from Tri-Area Pregnancy Resource Center for the generous donations by our parishioners totaling \$437.60

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in this year's campaign

ST JOSEPH COVERED DISH

St. Joseph parish will host a covered dish on the third Sunday of the month following the 11:30 AM Mass <u>Our NEXT potluck is scheduled</u> for September 19, 2021.

Parishioners are encouraged to bring their favorite dish to share (salads, meats, vegetables and starches of all varieties are always welcomed)

JASON EVERT TO SPEAK AT ST MARY'S BLACKSBURG

Sept. 19th 6pm - 8pm St. Mary's Catholic Church in Blacksburg. Jason Evert, a well-known and well-respected speaker on topics related to chastity, dating and marriage, will be giving a 90 minute talk to teens and parents/adults. The talk will be followed by adoration and confession.

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