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Dear Parish Family,

September 5, 2010

Welcome Alma College Students! St. Mary Elementary School starts this Tuesday. Please pray for our teachers and students as they begin this 2010-2011 school year.

This Friday, September 10 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary, we will have the presentation "*Beaten but not broken.*" Sandra Timco will speak about her father's World War II experience as a POW in Nazi Germany, and how his faith kept him alive through this ordeal.

Sabina will be retiring beginning in October. Please join me in congratulating her, and thanking her for her many years of faithful service to our parishes. Qualified applicants for the position of Parish Business Manager can email davidjenuwine@aim.com

Next Sunday at the 9:00 am Mass at Mt. St. Joseph, Bishop Cistone will formally install yours truly as parochial administrator.

On Friday, October 22 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary, Jim Cowan from the Franciscan University of Steubenville will lead a Concert of Praise and Worship music. There is no charge for this event, however a free-will offering will be taken up.

Thank you for your prayers. Let us pray for each other every day! God bless you.

Fr. David

The Faith Explained **OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

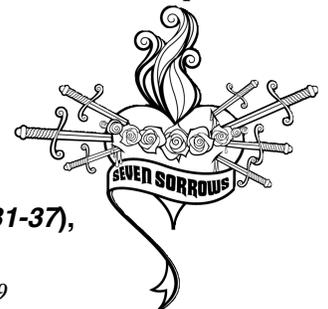
Devotion to the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady has its roots in Sacred Scripture and in Christian piety, which always associates the Blessed Mother with her suffering Son. Today's feast was introduced by the Religious Order of Servites in order to intensify devotion to Our Lady's Sorrows. In 1817 Pius VII — suffering grievously in exile but finally liberated by Mary's intercession — extended the feast to the universal Church.

This feast, celebrated on September 15, is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her compassion with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering, she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance. May the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation.

As Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on which Jesus hung, the sword of sorrow Simeon had foretold pierced her soul. Below are the seven sorrows of Mary:

- (1) The prophecy of Simeon (*Luke 2:25-35*),
- (2) The flight into Egypt (*Matthew 2:13-15*),
- (3) Loss of the Child Jesus for three days (*Luke 2:41-50*),
- (4) Mary meets Jesus on his way to Calvary (*Luke 23:27-31; John 19:17*),
- (5) Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (*John 19:25-30*)
- (6) The body of Jesus being taken from the Cross (*Psalms 130; Luke 23:50-54; John 19:31-37*),
- (7) The burial of Jesus (*Isaiah 53:8; Luke 23:50-56; John 19:38-42; Mark 15:40-47*)

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the
Psalm
Ps. 90:1

**“In every age, O Lord, you
have been our refuge.”**



An Explanation of the Parts of the Mass



Introductory Rites

The section of the Mass preceding the Liturgy of the Word that confers a quality of preparation and introduction on the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The intent is that the assembled group unite as a community properly prepared to hear God's Word and celebrate the Eucharist. Includes the following:

Entrance Song, Greeting, Penitential Rite, Kyrie, Gloria, Opening Prayer.



Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Word - The major part of the Mass between the Opening Prayer and the preparation of the Gifts during which the Word of God is proclaimed, responded to, authoritatively explained, accepted and held fast, and appealed to. Includes the following:

First Reading, Responsorial Psalm, Second Reading, Acclamation, Gospel, Homily, Creed, General Intercessions.



Liturgy of the Eucharist

The major part of the Mass after the Liturgy of the Word and ending before the Concluding Rite. This part corresponds to the words and actions of Christ at the Last Supper. Christ took bread and the cup, gave thanks, broke, and gave them to His disciples saying: "Take and eat; this is My Body. Take and drink; This is the cup of My Blood. Do this in memory of Me."

- **Preparation of the Gifts** - The priest prepares the altar and the gifts, prays over the bread and wine, and helps the assembly get ready for the tremendous Sacrifice that will take place in an un-bloody manner. Includes the following:

Offertory Song, Preparation of the Altar, Preparation of the Bread, Preparation of the Wine, Washing of Hands, Invitation to Prayer, Prayer over the Gifts.

- **Eucharistic Prayer** - The center and high point of the Mass that makes Christ present for us in His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. During it, the entire assembly joins Christ in acknowledging the works of God and in the offering of Sacrifice. Includes the following:

Introductory Dialogue, Preface, Sanctus, Eucharistic Prayer (Epiclesis, Consecration, Anamnesis, Oblation, Intercessions), Final Doxology, Great Amen.

- **Communion Rite** - It is the part when God gives a gift to Him. In both cases the gift is the same Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Savior of the world. Includes the following:

Lord's Prayer, Sign of Peace, Fraction Rite, Co-mingling, Agnus Dei, Communion Song, Prayer after Communion.



Concluding Rite

Immediately after the Communion Rite, should there be any announcements, these are made, but should be kept brief. Then just as the people were greeted at the beginning of the Mass, so now the presider greets the people again and blesses them in one of three forms, the simple one, or at his discretion a more solemn Blessing, particularly at various seasons or on specific feast days, or a Prayer over the people.

Includes the following:

Blessing, Dismissal.

