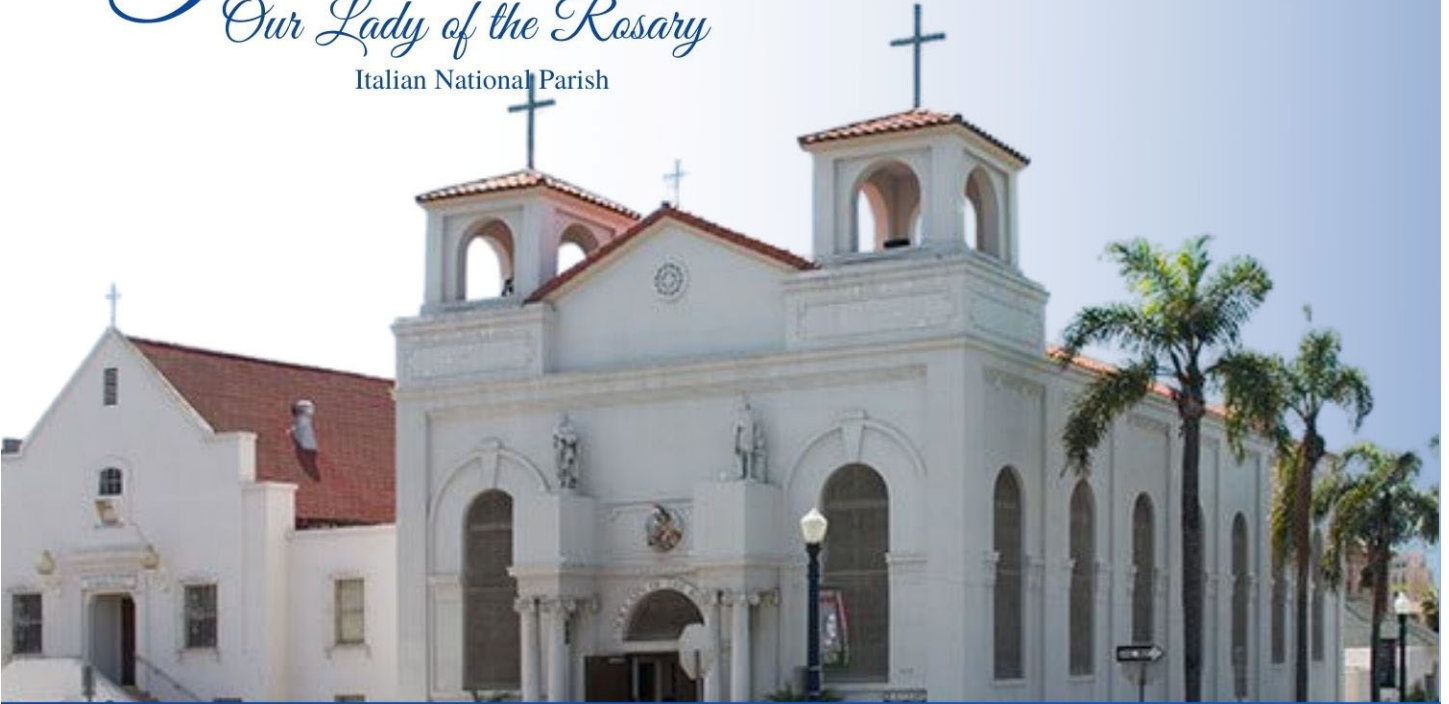


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*Prayer to
Our Lady of Sorrows*

O most holy Virgin, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ: by the overwhelming grief you experienced when you witnessed the martyrdom, the crucifixion, and death of your divine Son, look upon me with eyes of compassion, and awaken in my heart a tender commiseration for those sufferings, as well as a sincere detestation of my sins, in order that being disengaged from all undue affection for the passing joys of this earth, I may sigh after the eternal Jerusalem, and that henceforward all my thoughts and all my actions may be directed towards this one most desirable object.
Honor, glory, and love to our divine Lord Jesus, and to the holy and immaculate Mother of God.

Amen.

Maria S.S. Addolorata



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Padre Pio Feast Day
September 23



25th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"If, therefore, you are trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?"
— *Lk 16:11*

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We, the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, are a pilgrim church. Under the mantle of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we grow as a people of God following Jesus, celebrating the Eucharist, living apostolic service, continuing faith formation and Marian devotions. We strive to bring the joy of the gospel and imitate Jesus through compassion, mercy and love, especially for the poor and marginalized. We seek to be faithful stewards providing a heart and home for all.

Prayer to Padre Pio

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Martha Cardinale-Hill

Dear God,
Through the intercession of
St. Pio of Pietrelcina,
I confidently beseech
You to grant miracles
to the sick and suffering.
Glory be to the Father...
(three times).
Amen.

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Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and Let your Perpetual Light Shine upon them.

Thank you, Fr. Joe, for the many hats
you wear to make OLR a heavenly home!



Mass Intentions & Readings

Sunday, September 21

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

7:30 am Kathrin Schutte (Int) Schutte Family

9:00 am People of the Parish

10:30 am Madonna del Lume Society

12:00 pm Addolorata Festa Society

5:30 pm Theresa Guinto (Int) Greg Cranham

Readings - Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday, September 22

National Migration Week

7:30 am Maria Mariella Balistreri † husband, Phil

Danielle Spartz (Int) Aunt

12:00 pm Nick & Amy Schutte (Int) Danielle Spartz

Readings - Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

7:30 am Maria Mariella Balistreri † husband, Phil

Winifred Caulfield † Terry Pender

12:00 pm Tony Sofia † Asara/Sciuto Families

Readings - Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 24

7:30 am Maria Balistreri † husband, Philip

12:00 pm Benjamin D.J. † & Erlinda D.J. † Elaine Ignacio

Readings - Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday, September 25

7:30 am Tony & Rose Bernardino † Jack & Chandra Pecoraro

Maria Balistreri † husband, Phil

12:00 pm Nick DeSanti † Family

Readings - Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 26

Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

7:30 am Maria Balistreri † husband, Phil

12:00 pm Mary & Joseph Fowles † Eddie & Antoinette

Readings - Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday, September 27

St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

7:30 am Perpetual Membership

12:00 pm Delores Neri † Bob Cooper

5:30 pm Giovanna De Santi † Catherine Lo Coco

Domenic Carini † Family

Readings - Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

The History of the Devotion

The history of the beautiful Madonna (Maria S.S. Addolorata) dates from 1221 and begins in Germany.

Reverence for the suffering of the Mother of Jesus resonated with early Christians and, over the centuries, the faithful commemorated the sorrows, as described in the Gospel of Luke, with reverence and devotions. Over the centuries, veneration of the “Mother of Sorrows” became a movement that spread to Spain, Italy, and the Mediterranean islands, including Sicily.

The history of the Madonna in Sicily dates back to the 17th Century when the villagers in Santa’Elia sought to have a small chapel blessed so they could receive the sacraments. It is difficult to imagine the Church not sanctioning such a request from its devotees; however, the petition of the villagers fell into the miasma of local political disputes among the ruling prince, the church hierarchy, and the local politicians. Sicily had many rulers, both secular and religious, none of which wished to conflict with the ruling prince who oversaw the socio-economic interests of the community. However, through faith, devotion, and Sicilian persistence, an agreement was struck between the prince, the church hierarchy, and the local families who agreed to support the church and its chaplain from proceeds of their livelihood as fishermen.

The records reflect this steadfast commitment from the heads of the families of Santa’Elia: Billanti, Dentici, Tarantino, Busalacchi, Balistreri, Sardina, Corona, Alioto, Principato, Camarda, Machì, and Mercurio.

Over the centuries, Sicilians from small villages to larger cities have declared and venerated their reverence for the Madonna Addolorata. Their devotion culminates in an annual festa venerating the Madonna during the third week in September.

How the Veneration of the Madonna S.S. Addolorata Came to San Diego, California



America is a land of opportunity. A place where immigrants brought not only their hopes and dreams for a better life for themselves and their children, they also brought their religion. Such was the case of those first Sicilian immigrants who came to America and migrated to San Diego.

It is from the tiny fishing villages of Aspra, Bagheria, Portocello, and Santa’Elia that Sicilians carried the veneration of the Madonna with them to their new home. They carried with them the traditions of their homeland, to the cities in America where they eventually settled.

Since 1940, the Society of Maria S.S. Addolorata at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish has venerated the Madonna. The statue that resides in the church was commissioned in 1939 from artisans in Sicily. The funds to purchase the statue were donated by the Sicilian community in San Diego. The statue made its first entrance into the church on March 16, 1940.



The Significance of the Statue Adornments

The beautiful statue of Mary portrayed as the Addolorata or “Lady of Sorrows,” depicts her grief with tearful countenance and a draping black cape. On special days commemorating significant dates in the history of the Madonna, the statue is adorned with a decorated black cape and seven silver swords wedged into her heart representing the Seven Sorrowful events in the life of the Blessed Virgin:

1. The Prophecy of Simeon; 2. The Flight into Egypt; 3. The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem; 4. Mary Meeting Jesus on the Via Dolorosa; 5. The Crucifixion; 6. The Piercing of the Side of Jesus with a Spear; and 7. The Burial of Jesus.



Above: The Maria SS Addolorata statue in Santa’ Elia church in Sicily.



In Sicily, the devotees congregate by the thousands in September to venerate the Madonna. The statue is solemnly displayed and adorned with a refined robe of purple silk moella with its elaborate embellishments of eucharistic symbols, embroidered in gold, with a splendid cloak of black velvet with opulent gold embroidery that reaches from the head to her feet, with sandals, belt, the elaborate lace collar, earrings, the handkerchief, and, finally, with the sword and gilded silver diadem that complete the splendid and celestial image. The generations of the faithful rejoice and cry, “*Virgini Perdolenti*”—“*Virgin Forever*.” In America, the communities of Sicilian immigrants living in Milwaukee, New York, San Diego and San Francisco, express their love for the Addolorata with their separate celebrations, venerating her in their respective churches.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Gospel Summary

At first it would seem that this Gospel passage praises dishonesty, but in fact, it gives credit for a clever and quick response. There was a man who managed the land for his master. What his misdeeds were is not quite clear, but something had gone wrong in their relationship and the manager was about to be fired. Not physically able to dig ditches and too proud to beg, the manager worried about how he would live. In a quick response, he went to all the people who owed his master produce and had them change their bills to reflect a lesser amount. In this way the people who saved money would welcome the manager into their homes once he had been fired. The master wasn't rewarding the manager for his dishonesty, but for his cleverness and quick thinking. The point Jesus wanted to make with this parable was to let the crowd know that they should be wise in their use of the world's goods, because if they are used selfishly, they will fail us. However, if we share our resources with others, true wealth will await us in the Kingdom. The final point of Jesus' words was that we cannot serve two masters, God and money.

Reflection for Families

Children learn at a young age that "buying friends" is a possibility. Even we adults use our resources to entertain friends. How often do we do things with our friends that we think will build our relationships by spending money either on food, entertainment, or gifts? The point of this Gospel is to help us remember that the most important way we can use our resources is in the service of others. From time to time, as we see our children selecting elaborate birthday gifts for a friend, or wanting to include friends in an expensive form of entertainment, we may need to remind them and ourselves of the message in today's Gospel.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Think about the next opportunity each member will have for selecting a gift. It might be for a relative or friend's birthday or Christmas in a few months. Spend some time and energy thinking about a gift that would have special meaning for that friend and begin now to prepare it. Perhaps you could make a collage or scrapbook of your friendship, write a poem, or reflection that speaks from your heart about how much the person means to you. Take the money you would normally have spent on the gift and apply it toward helping someone who is in need.

Discussion Questions

- The greatest trust someone has shown in me is . . .
- I tend to serve two masters when I . . .
- One of the ways I use my resources to serve God is by . . .

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serve two masters.
He will either
hate one and
love the other, . . .

— *Luke 16:33a*

PRAISE THE LORD
WHO LIFTS UP
THE LOWLY AND
THE POOR.

PSALM 113

. . . or be devoted
to one and despise
the other. You cannot
serve both
God and mammon."

— *Luke 16:33b*



THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday, September 21
12:00 pm Addolorata Festa



Tuesday, September 23
6:00 pm Perpetual Help

7:00 pm OCIA



Wednesday, September 24
11:00 am Confession

6:20 pm Young Adult Rosary
in the Garden

6:45 pm Bible Study



Friday, September 26
11:00 am Confession

6:00 pm Paradiso Meeting
Lower Hall



Saturday, September 27
11:00 am Confession

6:00 pm Addolorata
85th Anniversary Celebration



Friday, September 26
Maria S.S. del Paradiso
6 pm in the Lower Hall



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Sunday, October 5



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Lower Hall

Sunday, October 5
12:00 pm FESTA

October 16, 17 & 18
7:00 pm Del Lume Triduum
in the church

Sunday, October 19
12:00 pm Del Lume Festa

Saturday, November 1
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have offered themselves as catechists
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your gifts that they may teach by word
and by example the truth that comes
from you. We ask this through
Christ our Lord.
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