

November 15, 2026

SEVEN SORROWS

of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reverend Timothy J. Sahd, Pastor FrSahd@ssbvm.org

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

DAILY MASS:
Monday: 8:00am
Tuesday: 8:00am
Wednesday: 8:30am
Thursday: 6:00pm
Friday: 8:00am
Saturday: 8:00am

SUNDAY MASS:
Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

CONFESSIONS:
Thursday: 5:00pm-5:45pm
Saturday: 7:15-7:50am and 3:30-4:15pm

ADORATION: (in the Chapel)
Monday: 9:00am-10:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am-10:00pm
Wednesday: 10:00am-10:00pm
Thursday: 9:00am-10:00pm
Friday: 9:00am-Noon





Discover Catholic Schools *Week*

Come see the Seven Sorrows Difference! Families with children in preschool through 8th grade are invited to our Open House today, Sunday, November 15th from 12–1 p.m.

Come explore our classrooms, meet our teachers, and discover what makes our school family special!

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Last week, I spoke to you briefly before Mass about our financial situation as a parish. In every way, your generosity and giving has been a catalyst in moving our finances from a very difficult place six years ago, to an extremely strong standing!

That is because of your goodness to us – period. You want us to be here for the long haul to proclaim Jesus Christ, and with your continued support we will be! Thank you so much.

But your love of the Church and your desire to live the Faith that Jesus handed to us through the Apostles goes deeper than your support to the Sunday Collection or the Capital Campaign.

You impact the lives of so many with your charity.

In just the last few weeks, you have responded in overwhelming ways to needs in our community. The Knights of Columbus put out a last-minute call for womens and girls winter jackets. You responded in an over-the-top way, so that they'll be able to provide more jackets this winter than they had been expecting to.

Our Council of Catholic Women led the Boxes of Joy campaign again this year, and shipped over 200 boxes for Christmas that YOU filled to children in need in other countries. Through the Giving Tree (Angel Tree), you also donated hundreds of gift cards so that local children and families could enjoy Christmas gifts.

Our food pantry continues to get used heavily, and is always in need of canned goods and non-perishable items. It acts as an emergency and last-minute food source for those who NEED to eat. At all times of the day and night, there are people looking for food. YOU answer the need by constantly placing food in the box in the back of the church, or in the pantry itself. It is always getting filled by you.

A few weeks ago, a young man, Austin, who is becoming Catholic, spoke to the parish about help for Off the Streets. They desperately need help, especially with furniture moves for families. This is the difference YOU make when you support OTS, financially or with your physical help. This is from a mother of three, whose home was condemned after the top two floors collapsed, and they had no means to find another home.:

"I prayed, used Google, called 101 churches, and called 211. I found Off the Streets in Middletown through 211. 211 gave me a referral, and the rest is unimaginable." After saying OTS supplied much of her security deposit and household needs, she said that OTS helped make her house a home.

Just last week, OTS moved three families into homes. People are desperate and looking for help. **After calling 101 churches, she found help through an organization that our parish started!**

We are making a difference, and living as Jesus Christ in the world. Combined with our worship of the True God, and our desire to live out the Truths of the Church, this service to our brothers and sisters means that many will be led to Him through YOU! Thank you so much for all you do to proclaim Jesus in Middletown and in our communities. Thank you for your love. We are blessed to be together here.
Fr. Sahd

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2026
Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time
8:00 am +Loretta and Norman Wall
10:30 am +John and Callie Astfalk
6:00 pm Our Parish Family

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026
8:00 am +Donna Notorangelo

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2026
8:00 am +Frank Korchnak

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2026
8:30 am Special Intentions of Jen Miller and Family

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2026
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm CONFESSION
6:00 pm +Phyllis Harkins

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2026
8:00 am All Holy Souls

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2026
7:15 am - 7:50 am CONFESSION
8:00 am +Robert Jacobs
3:30 pm - 4:15 pm CONFESSION
4:30 pm +Dolores and Richard Stichter

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:00 am +Billy Kametz
10:30 am Special Intentions of Josephine Napoli
6:00 pm Our Parish Family

DAILY READINGS

Nov. 15 Prov 31:10-13, 19-20,30 / 1 Thess 5:1-6 / Matt 25:14-30
Nov. 16 Rev 1:1-4; 21-5 / Luke 18:35-43
Nov. 17 Rev 3:1-6.14-22 / Luke 19:1-10
Nov. 18 Rev 4:1-11 / Luke 19:11-28
Nov. 19 Rev 5:1-10 / Luke 19:41-44
Nov. 20 Rev 10:8-11 / Luke 19:45-48
Nov. 21 Rev 11:4-12 / Luke 20:27-40
Nov. 22 Eze 34:11-12,15-17 / 1Cor 15:20-26, 28 / Matt 25:31-46

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Alex Yoder
Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

FLOWERS

The flowers located at the altar and pulpit this weekend are dedicated to **All Veterans.**
Our peace and security is a testament to their sacrifice.

Altar Flowers may be placed in the sanctuary for special occasions or in memory of a loved one.
For more details call Deborah Breon at 717-986-1959.

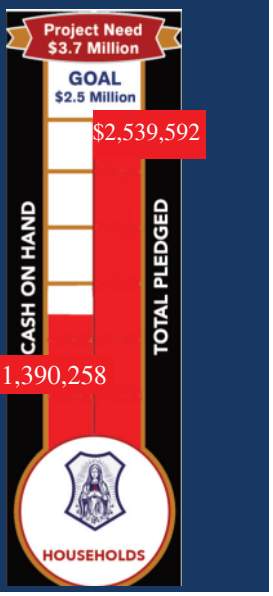
SUNDAY OFFERING

November 8, 2026
Sunday giving $12,174.00
Online giving 5,497.25
Total $17,671.25

Scan for Online Giving

2026 DAC
Goal: **$177,793**
Collected & Pledged: **$186,949 (105%)**

Capital Campaign
If you have questions, please reach out to Campaign Manager Richie Musser at 484-364-0781 or musser@kirbysmith.com. Thank you for your continued dedication to Seven Sorrows!



THIS WEEK AT SSBVM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
8:00 am CCW Advent Wreath & Candle Sale Narthex (after all Masses)
8:00 am OTS Donation House Narthex (after all Masses)
9:15 am Religious Ed
10:30 am Parish Playroom Church Basement
11:30 am Parish Rosary Church Quiet Room
12:00 pm School Open House
1:00 pm Bible Study Drexel Room

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16
6:00 pm Legion of Mary
6:30 pm Bible Study Drexel Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17
5:30 pm Multicultural Night School

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18
6:30 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19
8:30 am Church Cleaners Team #3
6:30 pm Christian Initiation Library

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
6:45 am TMIY Cafeteria
4:30 pm CCW Advent Wreath & Candle Sale Narthex
4:30 pm CCW Bake Sale Narthex
4:30 pm High School Friendsgiving Gym

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22
8:00 am KOC Blood Drive Gym
8:00 am CCW Bake Sale Narthex (after all Masses)
8:00 am CCW Advent Wreath & Candle Sale Narthex (after all Masses)
9:15 am Religious Ed
10:30 am Parish Playroom Church Basement
11:30 am Parish Rosary Church Quiet Room



Remember Prayers for Our Military

We would like to keep our parishioners and loved ones on **active** military in our thoughts and prayers. Please provide the following information & call the parish office.

RANK	*NAME*	*BRANCH*
Lt.Col	Sam Herbert	Army
GYSGT	Brendon J. Parkhill	Marines
CPT	Luke Mrakovich	Marines
SSG	Corbin Stetler	ARNG
AG1	Stephen Boyland	Navy
CPT	Andrew T. Lavelle	Army
1st Lt	Mark E. Lavelle	Army
CPT	Phillip Bertovic	Army
Lt. Col	Todd Campbell	Air Force
CPT	Edward C. Stene	USAR
1st Lt	Nicholas Campbell	Marines
ACI	Trey Kephart	USAF
MGST	Daniel Brought	Marines
A1C	Nicolas A. Corradi	USAF
	Abigail Francis	USAF
	Mackenzie Mehalick	Navy

SENIOR MINISTRY

Mass & Caroling - December 9 at 11 am. Oak Hill Village. Gather in the Chapel for the Celebration of Mass by Fr. Sahd followed by Christmas Caroling with the Residents.

Annual Christmas Friendship Luncheon -Tuesday, December 15 at 1 pm. Middletown American Legion. More details soon!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



KOC Blood Drive
Sunday, November 22
8:00 AM–12:00 PM
School Gym

All donors will receive a Chick-fil-A treat card, two Harrisburg Comedy Zone tickets, a $5 Chili's gift card, and a CPBB ice scraper! Appointments are encouraged.
Schedule at 717GiveBlood.org or call 1-800-771-0059
A valid form of ID is required.

Annual Seven Sorrows BVM Christmas Ornaments and "Joy to the World" Magnets

Available for purchase after all Masses the weekends of **November 28/29 and December 5/6**, or while supplies last. Christmas Ornaments: $15.00 and Joy to the World Magnets: $5.00 All proceeds help support future Council 3501 projects and community outreach initiatives. Thank **you for your continued support, and Merry Christmas!**

KNIGHTS NIGHT OF CHRISTMAS TRIVIA
Saturday, December 5, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Seven Sorrows School Gym
Teams of up to 6 players – $25 per team



Snacks, water, and soda will be provided. Feel free to bring your own food and drinks. Enjoy plenty of raffle baskets and our Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest! For tickets or additional information, see the Knights table in the Narthex or contact Matt Sheaffer at 717-319-9065 or sheaf418@comcast.net.

NEED TO KNOW



Do you know anyone who needs prayed for? Would you like to pray the rosary immediately following the 10:30 AM mass?

Please join us in the quiet room after the 10:30 mass each Sunday for about 15 minutes to pray for your loved ones and all those in need of prayer.

Babysitters are on duty to provide care for little ones during the 10:30am mass. The Playroom is located in the church basement. Entry is to the left of the Narthex down the stairs.





St. Peter's hall in Elizabethtown
Sunday, November 29
6:30pm - 8:30pm

We are in need of **table hosts** to invite friends/family/ neighbors and to decorate in Advent fashion. Let the Holy Spirit move in you to focus on preparing your heart for this holy and blessed Season.

Please bring a dish or treat to share:

Last Name: A-G = dessert
H-P = Hors d'oeuvres
Q-Z = main dish

RSVP through the following link (Found on sevensorrowsschool.com, Events/Calendar, Advent by Candlelight) Advent by Candlelight Registration



CAN'T ATTEND MASS?

The Holy Eucharist is vital to our Faith and our Spiritual, physical and emotional well being.

If you or someone you know is unable to attend Mass for a short period of time or extended time, due to recuperation, age or housebound, please call the Church Office.

We have Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist dedicated to this Ministry who will call to schedule a convenient time to visit and bring the Eucharist for as long as needed.

RAISING DISCIPLES

Religious Education Coordinator - Lisa Fortunato ssbvm.org/Education lfortunato@ssbvm.org

11/15/26 Class (Group Adoration)
11/22/26 Class (Virtus Training)

40 & 48oz jars Jif Creamy Peanut Butter
Goal: 1,000 Collected to date: 330



SSBVM Catholic School Principal - Angela Warner Sevensorrowsschool.com awarner@ssbvm.org

Substitute Teachers are needed for occasional days - Teaching experience
Contact Mrs. Angela Warner at awarner@ssbvm.org if interested.

School Cafeteria Volunteers are needed to help serve school lunch to our students. If you have a few hours from 10:30am – 1:00pm any day of the week Monday – Friday, we could use your help. Contact the School office 717-944-5371 if interested.

Diocesan Clearances are needed for all positions.

Come see the Seven Sorrows Difference!

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RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS



"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." (Matthew 25:21)

Today we honor those who live the cloistered life, faithfully dedicating themselves to prayer, penance, and hidden service for the good of the Church. Their quiet devotion sustains the world in ways unseen, showing that even the smallest acts of faithfulness have eternal significance. Could God be calling you to this life of prayerful witness, where your faithful service bears fruit for countless souls?

Talk to Father Sahd or reach out to Father Weaver at the Vocation Office at Frjweaver@hbgdiocese.org

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