

## OLR 10:30 a.m. Mass Start Time Concern Survey

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Total number of responses: 175

Summary		% of Total
I can live with it	131	75%
Consider doing something about it	53	30%
Preferences indicated (if action were to be contemplated)		
Move to 10:45 a.m.	24	14%
Move to 11:00 a.m.	16	9%
Move to Sunday evening	16	9%
Look at entire parish mass schedule	12	7%
Begin music on-time without Chris	9	5%

### Our clear caveat:

**NOTE:** *These are just some possible options we can consider. Any change would require a full analysis of the implications, approval of the Pastor, etc. Please indicate any preference (check as many as you like) or make suggestions at the bottom of the page.*

### Comments:

10:30 is fine -- thanks a lot.

A 10:45 a.m. Mass would become the 10:50-10:55 a.m. mass!

A large percentage of people do not get to mass until 10:45 a.m. anyway.

A Sunday evening mass would be a good addition, not an alternative to Sunday mass in the morning for the local community. Don't want another music minister.

Ack! No new music leader!

An evening mass would be nice however it may not be worth losing the morning mass.

Ask Fr. Aranha to be on time.

Can we have Fr. George stay forever. :) We love Chris.

Do we need two 10:30 a.m. masses?

Don't change the mass.

Don't want another music minister.

Fine as it is.

For those of us with kids, CCD already makes a very long morning and a later start is too long for the little ones.

Get a new music leader at SAG 9:00 a.m.

Get another music leader at SAG. Start SAG mass on time. Mass should not last more than 1 hour esp. since this is the children's mass.

Get the priest here on time.

Have the priest show up on time!

I am flexible and would like to accommodate our beloved pastor. But I do mind not having an evening mass either on Saturday or Sunday.

I believe we should equalize the masses to 8:45 a.m. at all churches to replace those at 9:00 a.m.: 3 churches at 8:45 a.m., 2 churches at 10:30 a.m to not confuse different times at each church.

I do not have any concerns about the start time at OLR. Please make it easy for those who

travel between services, and consider the Hispanic community. I will come!  
I greatly appreciate what the priests and ministers are already doing to adhere to the schedule as much as possible so occasional deviations are totally acceptable to me.  
I like the 10:30 a.m. mass but looking at all the times is good.  
I love going to OLR all faults and all. God bless us all.  
I love the way the mass is celebrated here. Coming from the East Coast has been a breath of fresh air! I especially like the Family Mass where the Pastor engages everyone, even the littlest parishioners. Thank you.  
I think moving the 10:30 a.m. mass to Sunday night is a great idea!  
I think we can live with the 10:30 Mass as it is. Even if Fr. George takes a little longer to get there for his convenience, the usual "late" people will be OK.  
I thought we had a Parish Council to alleviate such issues. How come this issue ends up at the end of mass? Afraid it won't "go the way you want it"?  
I would be open to moving the mass to 10:45 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. if all agree.  
I would like to join a prayer group. Please call 650-(redacted) (name redacted) or [illegible] of classes.  
I would not like to have every mass! We can be flexible on those late mass (mass starting late!). Maybe we can post on the bulletin in advance.  
I'd like for Fr. George to have my vote. Signed, [name redacted].  
I'd like to see a Sunday evening mass in the parish, but not at the expense of Sunday morning mass.  
If the presider has a problem, do not schedule the same priest to St. Albert and OLR on the same Sunday.  
If the start time were to be changed, I'd vote for 10:45 a.m.  
If we move it to 10:45 a.m., we'll still be later.  
If we started OLR mass any later, it would make the ending late, sometimes making afternoon schedules (work) a rush.  
If you do need to change something, my preference would be to start the music on time without Chris.  
Keep close to Sunday School time for OLR families. Put into on survey in eBulletin in case entire mass schedule is revised for other OLR families traveling in summer.  
Move to Sunday night or leave at 10:30 a.m. We would like Chris at the 5:00 p.m. mass regularly - please.  
Moving the mass time a little later will also ease the parking lot congestion.  
No new music minister. No move to Sunday night. Perhaps look at the entire parish mass schedule.  
Not a problem that we sometimes start late. So as to remove stress for the traveling presider, suggest 10:45 a.m.  
Please consider changing CCD times. We have 2 young children and very much enjoy attending 10:30 a.m. Family Mass. However, our older child is in CCD and 9:15 - 11:45 is a very long morning for her (and our younger child). Especially as CCD ends at approx. 10:10 a.m. and then we are often waiting 30+ minutes for mass to even start. I have noticed many CCD families don't attend mass and many mass attendees with young children don't attend CCD - while there are many reasons for this the lag in CCD/Mass times does not help. Please consider changing CCD to 9:30-10:20 or 9:45-10:35 if Mass time changes. At our old parish, CCD was done during mass which might improve Mass attendance for parents (though our parish was larger with a school so it was different in many ways.  
Please do whatever is best for you! I can do whatever is best for you!  
Starting later doesn't mean it will start on time. I'm OK with the way it is.  
Starting later is a big problem for athletics, other Sunday activities, etc.  
The extra time allows me to pray more.  
There are always a lot of people who don't get to Mass exactly at 10:30 and so if mass starts a few minutes late, it doesn't hurt; it just gives these stragglers another minute or two to get in and get settled.  
There is already at 10:30 a.m. mass at St. Thomas. Moving OLR to 10:45 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. gives folks more options of mass times. It's a great idea! No new music minister - Chris does a great job.  
We like the 10:30 a.m. time. It's nice to finish by 11:30 or so. Chris is really important. Do whatever suits him. I like the Sunday night mass idea too.  
What is best for the priests? I don't want them to feel rushed. No new music leader!  
Would like Sunday School to 9:30 or 9:40 a.m. No new music minister. 10:45 a.m. for mass - Yes!  
A few minutes (10 or fewer) is "ok". It doesn't happen a lot.  
I think it is important to end mass on time also.

I think we should do something about the late starts.

I think SAG should get a new music minister. I think you should split the parish in two. The priest at OLR can say both masses. The priest at St. Albert can do whatever he wants.

I am glad this is being addressed. The 10:30 OLR mass has not "sometimes" started late, it has "NEVER" started on time for at least 2 years. Seems to me the main problem is having the music leader leading at both masses -- that seems the first problem to correct. It also does not seem necessary to have two 10:30 a.m. masses in the same parish. If there was only one then the same priest doesn't need to be scheduled at the 9:00 and 10:30 masses. To me, these are the easiest solutions. For years and years there was a 9:30 and 10:30 mass and no problems. What happened? Masses may be too long; do homilies need to be so long when there is a "special event" (baptism, etc.)? In other parts of the country and world masses are 45 mins. Especially at masses where there are many kids, mass length should be considered -- many have just been or will be in religious education for another hour. 10:45 or 11:00 a.m. are WAY too late.