

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time + February 19, 2017

### OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church was founded in 1958 and is an integral part of the Mountainside community.

As a parish, we strive to:

form one family in Christ embracing our various backgrounds and age differences;

unify and strengthen our parish bonds through living our Catholic faith supported by Eucharistic Adoration, Educational, Service, and Social Ministries;

To evangelize and minister to the needs of God's people under the patronage of Our Lady of Lourdes, reflecting the greater Church's efforts to promote love of God and love of neighbor - through our Catholic faith and works.

Throughout this journey, we strive to become stronger families, neighbors and Catholics living our lives according to the teaching of Jesus Christ, under the protection and intercession of Our Blessed Mother.

### COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Weekdays 7:30 am & 8:30 am

Saturday 8:00 am

Holy Days As Announced

Penance Saturdays 1:00 pm

Novena to the Miraculous Medal  
Saturdays following 8:00 am Mass

Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Fridays following the 7:30 am Mass

Baptisms scheduled monthly excluding Lent

### Parish Staff

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## *Prayer Requests*

*Please pray for the souls of* William Enderlein and Caroline Dooley Enderlein. May they rest in peace.

*Please pray for the sick.* . . Patricia Kane, Marta Pares, Antonie Bachmeier, Kathleen Ruggeri, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino, Pat Knodel, Francis Landers and Nancy Smith.

*The Eucharistic Chapel Candles* will burn this week for the special intentions for Nicholas Picini requested by Michael & Katie Neglia.

*The Sanctuary Lamp* will burn this week for the loving memories of the deceased parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

*Please Pray for our service member,* Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla, and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

## Parish Calendar

### Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm - Men’s Group  
7:30 pm - Movie Night

### Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

4:00 pm - Faith Formation

### Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

4:00 pm - Faith Formation  
7:30 pm - Walking with Purpose

### Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:00 am - Walking with Purpose



Fall into eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to Our Lady of Lourdes. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ125.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

## **Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex**

A few of this week’s tweets from Pope Francis....

Being a believer means leaning how to see with eyes of faith.

Take action! Live life to the fullest! And when they see the witness you give, they may ask: why do you live this way?



New members are most welcome. We meet Sunday mornings at 10:30 am in the library and sing at the 11:30 am Mass. If you have questions, please see Joe Neglia or call him at 973-503-9675.

## ARE YOU REGISTERED ?

We have people coming to Our Lady of Lourdes on a regular basis who need a form of some kind filled out and, when we check our records, we find that they are not registered parishioners. **ARE YOU REGISTERED AS A PARISHIONER OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES?** If you are not, it becomes more complicated if you need some kind of form to be filled out stating that you are a parishioner. The best way for you to know that you are registered is the fact that you receive collection envelopes, either on a regular basis or only at Christmas or Easter. PLEASE – save yourself and our parish staff a great deal of time and trouble -- Visit the PARISH office and register!

**ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS:** Even if you are not scheduled to serve Mass, please check the Sunday Sacristy 10 minutes before Mass to see if you are needed.

**ATTENTION LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:** You have already been assigned, please check the schedule.

**Everyone is welcome! Please contact our Parish Office to register with us.**



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

The Lord gives wisdom from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.  
Proverb 2:6

God alone is wise. He makes His wisdom available to you, but you must first want it.....feel a need of it...yes, require, it as essential in your life. Then, and only then, are you putting yourself in a position to partake of God's wisdom and become wise.

**Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!**

**One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!**

- Sunday: 4 am, 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 6 pm, 7 pm
- Monday: 4 am, 11 am, 11pm
- Tuesday: 7 am, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 6 am, 3 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm
- Thursday:
- Friday: 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm
- Saturday: 7 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm

**...the more difficult the sacrificial hour, the greater the blessing...an early AM adorer or a 2-3 AM adorer.**

Contact Irene Ciccarino at 732-574-0064.



**Adoration chapel candles** may burn in Memory of, or in Honor of a Loved one, Special Birthday or Anniversary, or for a Special Intention.  
When you don't know what to purchase as a gift, consider a gift of Prayer.

Contact the Parish Office... Donation \$25.00.

**ATTENTION GIFT BEARERS**

If you are having a weekend Mass offered for yourself or a relative living or deceased and would like to bring up the gifts of bread & wine at the Offertory of the Mass, please advise the ushers beforehand so that you may present the Offertory Gifts at that particular Mass.



**Saturday Evening, February 18<sup>th</sup>, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Virginia Farinella  
Req. by Eve Vitale

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
 9:30 AM Andrew Bukva & Louis Montsko  
 Req. by Norma Weinstein  
 11:30 AM Carol LaHiff  
 Req. by Mrs. Joseph Quinn  
 5:00 PM Dominick Deluca  
 Req. by the Gagliano Family

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00 AM Elisa & Vincenzo DiGeronimo  
Req. by Karen & Phil

**Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, St. Peter Damian**  
7:30 AM Kathleen Zuara  
Req. by the Schwartz Family  
8:30 AM For the People of the Parish

**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
7:30 AM Nancy O'Shea  
Req. by Bill O'Shea  
8:30 AM Richard & Genevieve Carrington  
Req. by the Family

**Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
8:30 AM Thea Torres  
Req. by J.M. & Jennifer Jones

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**  
7:30 AM Sean O'Brien  
Req. by Mary Greeley  
8:30 AM For the People of the Parish

**Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 AM For the People of the Parish

**Saturday Evening, February 25<sup>th</sup>, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Stephen Carpency  
Req. by the Carpency Family

**Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
 9:30 AM Virginia Farinella  
 Req. by Michele & William Hopkins  
 11:30 AM Stanley Sanderson  
 Req. by Kristen Ciccimarra  
 5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-3, 6-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Mt 6:24-34

#### Collection

2/12/17

\$ 6,754

#### Year to Date Actual

\$ 279,386

#### Year to Date Budget

\$ 321,084

#### Year to Date Deficit

\$ - 41,698 \*

\* We were too optimistic on our weekly budget assumptions according to the accountant.

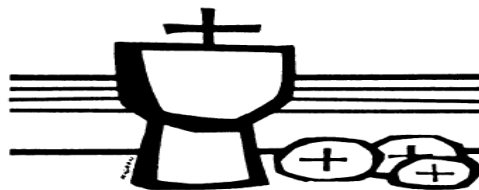
On the Seventh Week of Ordinary Time, Jesus gives us one of the biggest challenges to living the Christian life: Love Your Enemies. "I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well."

Wednesday is the Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, apostle, honoring Peter and all those who have served as Pope and Bishop of Rome. Thursday is the Memorial of Saint Polycarp, bishop and martyr.

The Seventh Week of Ordinary Time offers beautiful readings from Sirach, part of the "Wisdom" literature in the Old Testament.

The Gospel of Mark brings us the narrative of Jesus healing a boy possessed, an evil spirit the Apostles could not drive out. "This kind can only come out through prayer." When the disciples argued over which of them was the greatest. Jesus tells them "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." He tells the apostles not to worry about those healing in the name of Jesus, "for whoever is not against us is for us." He gives them a vivid description of the challenges of following him. "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off." When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a question about divorce, he replies, "What God has joined together, no human being must separate." He encourages us to be childlike before God in trust and love. "Whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child will not enter it."

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site: [www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html](http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html) Used with permission.



### **INVITATION TO A MOVIE NIGHT**

Brothers in Christ, the Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, is hosting a Movie Night for the Men, Women, and Mature Teens of the Parish on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:30 pm in Pollard Hall.

The 1986 movie, "The Mission" starring Jeremy Irons, Robert DeNiro and Liam Neeson was nominated for seven academy awards and won the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival. In 1995 The Vatican named "The Mission" as one of the top 16 religious films made during the 100 years of movie making.

The movie is set in 18<sup>th</sup> century South America, during the power struggles between Portugal and Spain and a period when there was exploitation of the native population by slave traders. This complicates the mission of the Jesuits who want to bring the Gospel to an Indian tribe living in a remote rain forest. One slave trader undergoes a remarkable conversion experience.

The film is rated PG and runs 125 minutes. "The Mission" has themes of conversion, redemption, forgiveness, following your conscience, and conflicts between Religion and the State. For those interested, a short discussion will follow the movie.



**2017 SHARING GOD’S BLESSINGS  
ANNUAL APPEAL**

We are often reminded by our Holy Father Pope Francis and Sacred Scripture that in order to love one another we must share the blessings which God has provided to us.

In Acts, Chapter 4, we learn that the early church shared all possessions with one another so that the Apostles and early Christian communities could fully proclaim “the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them.”

We are called to similarly share what is granted to us by God and return it to Him so that not one of our brothers and sisters goes without: without the gift of faith; without the essential human needs; and without a personal relationship with Our Lord. We are called to Share God’s Blessings, and when we do, we find freedom and joy in proclaiming the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus, just as the Apostles did over 2,000 years ago!

Will you join your brothers and sisters in Sharing God’s Blessings?

THE ANNUAL APPEAL PLEDGE WEEKEND IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 25<sup>th</sup> AND 26<sup>th</sup>. Our goal has been reduced by \$17,868.00. The parish goal for 2017 is \$34,500.00.

**St. Patrick’s Day  
Buffet Dinner Dance**



On Saturday evening, March 11, 2017 our parish will sponsor a St. Patrick’s Day Buffet Dinner Dance. It will be held in Pollard Hall from 7pm till 11pm. It will feature Irish and American music. More details to follow.

Tickets will be available this weekend of February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. \$40/pp

**Super 50/50 Raffle**

**PLEASE MARK THIS EVENT  
ON YOUR 2017 CALENDAR!!!**

**2017 Annual Archdiocesan  
Men’s and Women’s Events  
All are welcome! Bring a friend!  
Revive your spirits and build your faith!**

**Catholic Men’s Conference**

Saturday, March 4, 2017  
8:00 am – 4:30 pm, Cost: \$25  
Seton Hall University

This year’s theme is: **“Be Not Afraid: Becoming Missionary Disciples!”**

Speakers for the English track will be **Cardinal Sean Patrick O’Malley**, Archbishop of Boston, and **Joe Lombardi, Jr.**, quarterback coach for the New Orleans Saints. Spanish track speakers will be **Cardinal Sean Patrick O’Malley**, **Pepe Alonso from EWTN**, and **Mario J. Paredes**. His Eminence **Come for a day of Faith, Fellowship and Prayer!**

**Women’s Commission Day of Reflection**

Saturday, March 11, 2017  
8:00 am – 3:30 pm  
Cost: \$25, Seton Hall University

This year’s theme is: **“Alive in Christ as Missionary Disciples.”**

**Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart**, founder and mother servant of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, Archdiocese of Boston, and **Lisa Hendey**, founder and editor of [www.CatholicMom.com](http://www.CatholicMom.com), are the keynote speakers for the English track. The Spanish track will feature **Kathia Arango**, director of the Office for Hispanic Catholics in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, joined by the musical talents of **Freddy Flores and Shaddai**. Register at [www.rcan.org/womenscommission](http://www.rcan.org/womenscommission). Registration for both events is **\$25**. Priests & religious are **free**. Both events include continental breakfast and lunch. For registration and more information, visit: [www.rcan.org/womenscommission](http://www.rcan.org/womenscommission) and [www.NJCatholicMen.org](http://www.NJCatholicMen.org). Look for flyers at church entrances.

**Monday  
February 20<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am Mass  
Parish Office Closed**



Please stop by Pollard Hall after the Sunday 9:30 am Mass for a cup of coffee.





**HTIS School News**

Mrs. Melao's Two Year Old students are learning about love by being kind through their actions. They are also learning that God loves us and that we are all special! They painted hearts for Valentine's Day and played a color matching game!

Mrs. Boyle's PreK-3 classroom is filling up with symbols! Hearts for love, X's for kisses and O's for hugs. They are also learning that we are all God's family and should be kind to one another.

Mrs. Williams' PreK-3 students have been reading all kinds of stories for Valentine's Day. Some of their favorites are The Kiss Box, Clifford's Valentine, The Love Monster, Love is You and Me, and The Day It Rained Hearts. They used scissors to make Valentines, and they are making projects to go with the stories.

The theme in Mrs. Hazard's PreK-4 class has been about LOVE. Counting and grouping hearts, reading about Valentine's Day and St. Valentine, discussing who they love and who loves them, and working on fun crafts, many that challenge their fine motor skills.

The fourth graders are psyched about science. They are experimenting with static electricity, electric current, and the power of magnets.

Did you see our pictures of Grandparents/Special Persons Day? View the pictures posted for this special event and Like us on Facebook (HTSnj).

Is your child registered for Preschool and Full Day Kindergarten for September? There are a few spots still available for the Two Year Old class, five day a week PreK-3, and full day PreK-4 and Kindergarten classes. If you are interested in providing your children with an excellent preschool and full day Kindergarten experience anchored in a faith based program, please contact us for information at the Mountainside Campus at 908-233-1899. Please call 908-233-0484 for information about grades K through 8 at the Westfield Campus.

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES**



On April 30, 2017, all couples throughout the Archdiocese celebrating 5<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> years of Marriage are invited to the Cathedral at 3:00 pm for Mass with the Archbishop.

On May 7, 2017, all couples in Essex and Union Counties celebrating 50 or more years of marriage are invited to the Cathedral for Mass with the Archbishop at 3:00 pm.

To register please call the Parish Office at 908-232-1162.

**Focus on Faith Formation**



Congratulations to our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders who had their Rite of Enrollment into our 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist program last Sunday. Please continue to pray for these children as they prepare for their Sacrament which will be in May. Our next Confirmation session will be Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> beginning with the 11:30 am Mass.

Our next Family Faith session will be held on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> starting with the 5 pm Mass. We will have a special program that evening. We will have a puppet show for the families in Pollard Hall to teach the kids about Lent and Holy Week. We are opening the event to the students in our traditional classes as well but children must attend with a parent. Please contact the Faith Formation office for more information.

Catechists are invited to attend a Lenten morning retreat sponsored by the Archdiocese Catechetical office on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 10 am - 12:30 pm at St. Michael's Church in Cranford. Please RSVP to the Faith Formation office by February 25<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.

In honor of President's Day, we should teach our children the importance of praying for world leaders, national leaders, and Church leaders. Here is a prayer to say with your children:

Almighty God,  
Through you all authority and power is given to our leaders.  
You are a God of power, might, wisdom, and justice. Speak to those in leadership and help them make decisions through the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. May they always seek the ways of righteousness, justice, and mercy.  
Grant that they lead our country with honesty and integrity and that all people may experience life in all its fullness.  
In Christ's name. Amen.

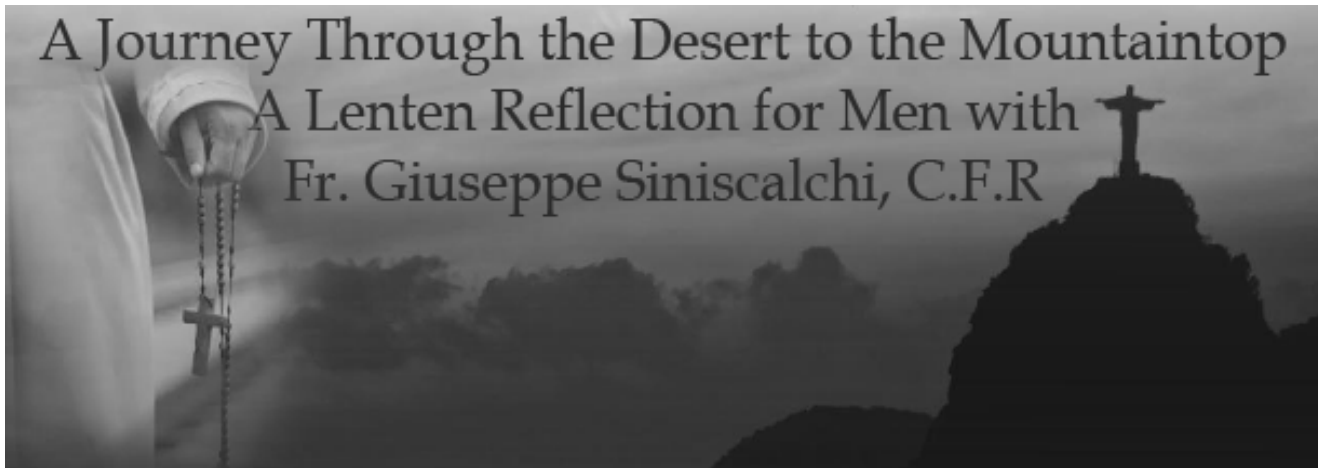
The Office of Development and Stewardship will be collecting gently used, in good condition, Communion dresses/veils, suits and shoes for our inner city parishes, the Religious Sisters at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart who know families in need, and any parishioner in need of one for their child. Last year over 400 dresses and 200 suits were distributed.



Please drop off your donations on hangers covered in plastic to Pollard Hall during the weekends in February/ March.



# A Journey Through the Desert to the Mountaintop A Lenten Reflection for Men with Fr. Giuseppe Siniscalchi, C.F.R



Fr. Giuseppe joined the friars in 2002 and was ordained to the Holy Priesthood in 2011. He lived and ministered at Most Blessed Sacrament Friary from 2002 to 2016. He is presently the local servant (superior) of the newly opened St. Mary of the Assumption Friary in Newburgh, NY. He is a graduate of Boston College Law School and practiced law for 9 years before entering the Community.

Saturday March 18, 2017 @ 8am - 4pm

Our Lady of Lourdes, 300 Central Ave., Mountainside, NJ 07092

Registration

Suggested Donation: \$25.00

Payable to Our Lady of Lourdes

Breakfast and Lunch Provided

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail registration to Mike Billy, 1275 Virginia Ave., Mountainside, NJ 07092

OR

Email RSVP with the above information to Mike Billy at [bmichael103@aol.com](mailto:bmichael103@aol.com)

or Benjamin Chiang at [bchiang@quietriver.net](mailto:bchiang@quietriver.net)

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