

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God + January 1, 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

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Prayer Requests

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, Elaine Salemy and David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino and Pat Knodel.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Jennie Faella requested by Nicholas Glynn, and for the special intentions for Thea Loek requested by the Schlutter Family.

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

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

Tuesday, January 3rd

4:00 pm - Faith Formation

Wednesday, January 4th

4:00 pm - Faith Formation

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 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....

Forgiveness is the most visible sign of the Father's love, which Jesus sought to reveal by his entire life.

Today I would like each of us to reflect on his and her own past and the gifts received from the Lord.

Altar Server Schedule for the Weekend of January 7 - 8, 2017

5:00 PM	SEE SCHEDULE
7:30 AM	SEE SCHEDULE
9:30 AM	SEE SCHEDULE
11:30 AM	SEE SCHEDULE
5:00 PM Sunday	SEE SCHEDULE



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

I am with you always even to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:20

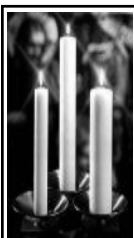
Remember, Christ is always near us. We should say nothing that we would not wish to say in His Presence. We should do nothing that we would not do in His Presence. We should go no place that we would not go in His Presence. But He is not with us just to judge or condemn us; He is near to comfort, protect, guide encourage, strengthen and help.

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, 10 pm, 11pm
- Tuesday: 7 am, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 6 am, 3 pm, 4 pm, 5 pm, 6 pm
- Thursday: 7 pm
- Friday: 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.



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, December 31st, Vigil, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

5:00 PM
Special Intentions for Nancy McCabe
Req. by Cornerstone

Sunday, January 1st, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Virginia Farinella
Req. by the Hahner Family
11:30 AM Paul McGlynn
Req. by Claire & Gordon Kwiatkowski

Monday, January 2nd, St. Basil the Great

9:00 AM
Peter Kuhn
Req. by the Family

Tuesday, January 3rd, The Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:30 AM Juanita Lopez
Req. by Carmen & Santos Santiago
8:30 AM Diane Ruggiero
Req. by Marie & Keith Woodruff

Wednesday, January 4th, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:30 AM Virginia Farinella
Req. by the Chiang Family
8:30 AM Adele Masterpietro
Req. by Eve Vitale

Thursday, January 5th, St. John Neumann

7:30 AM Rev. John R. Willis, SJ
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Marie Mirabelli
Req. by Kathy & Dave Snyder

Friday, January 6th, St. Andre Bessette

7:30 AM Michelle Wall
Req. by Maria DeAnna
8:30 AM Dell Bostic
Req. by Lynaugh Aberle Family

Saturday, January 7th, St. Raymond of Penyafort

8:00 AM Paul McGlynn
Req. by Claire & Gordon Kwiatkowski

Saturday Evening, January 7th, Vigil, The Epiphany of the Lord

5:00 PM Jennie Faella
Req. by the Faella Family

Sunday, January 8th, The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Emilia Dominguez
Req. by the Jose Gennaro Family
11:30 AM Therese Wuest
Req. by the Deluca Family
5:00 PM Julie Rusbarsky
Req. by Stephanie Szabo

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17;
Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5 -- 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17];
Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;

Lk 2:16-21

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

Due to publishing deadlines we are unable to provide you the weekly contributions.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, December 31st at 12:30 pm and will reopen on Tuesday, January 4, 2017 with our regular hours of 9 am – 5 pm.

The Parish Priests wish to thank Milagros Schlutter and her committee members for the Breakfast with Santa. \$1,603.18 was given to the parish as profit from this event.

Thank You

Sunday, January 1st this year, New Year's Day, is the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. In addition, it is a celebration of the World Day of Prayer for Peace.

Monday is the Memorial of Saint Basil the Great and Saint Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors of the Church. Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. Thursday is the Memorial of Saint John Neumann.

The Epiphany of the Lord is celebrated on January 6th in most of the world. It is celebrated on Sunday, the 8th in the U.S. The light has come into the darkness of the world and our salvation was made known to the Gentiles. Matthew's Gospel brings us the story of the Magi and their encounter with Herod on the way to "do homage" to the newborn King of the Jews.

The first reading during the week continues from the First Letter of John, encouraging us to make our home in the one who makes his home in us. In Jesus, we have eternal life and we are called to love one another.

The Gospels for this week show Jesus manifesting himself in his life on earth, following John's Gospel, from the testimony of John to the calling of Jesus' disciples from their everyday lives.

Sunday is the celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord in the U.S. It is the Baptism of the Lord in the rest of the world.

NEW YEARS EVE MASS

December 31st

5:00 pm

NEW YEARS DAY MASS

January 1st

7:30 am

9:30 am

11:30 am

NO 5:00 pm Mass

MONDAY, JANUARY 2nd

9:00 am Mass

Focus on Faith Formation



Family New Year's Prayer

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

The Faith Formation staff would like to wish all of our families a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Weekly Faith Formation classes resume on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 3rd and 4th.

The next meeting of the book club will be on Wednesday, January 18th at 1:15 pm in the Spirituality Room. The selection for this session is, Lilac Girls, by Martha Hall Kelly.



Family Promise Interfaith Hospitality Network

Union County, NJ

Tend My Sheep Ministry

The next Tend My Sheep Ministry is approaching. Our hosting date is Thursday, January 26, 2017, at the Church of the Little Flower in Berkeley Heights. All Team 1 members have been notified.

There is an online sign-up sheet at <http://goo.gl/379DuT> for donating food and supplies. If you do not have internet access and wish to donate, or, you cannot access the sign-up sheet, please contact either of the coordinators and we can send you the link or enter the donation for you.

If you cannot volunteer or sign up for a donation, we are also seeking monetary donations. These can be given to Deacon Mike, dropped off or mailed to the rectory, or dropped in the collection basket in an envelope marked TEND MY SHEEP DONATION.

Please watch the bulletin for future announcements and we look forward to “tending HIS sheep” and making our next experience even better.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hahner, hahnerk@comcast.net, (908) 789-4639, or Deacon Michael DeRoberts, mderoberts@aol.com, or at (908) 868-0727.

Thanks again for all you do to make Our Lady of Lourdes a great parish and Happy New Year!

Deacon Mike and Karen Hahner
Coordinators

FOR THE WOMEN OF OUR COMMUNITY!!!!



Join us as our study continues

Do you feel pulled in many directions? Do you find it hard to balance the demands placed on your time? God wants to support and help us so that we can be our best in every season of our lives. “*Keeping in Balance*” will take us on a journey throughout Scripture to explore biblical ways that we can use to manage life’s pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. A lifestyle of health and wholeness/holiness awaits-COME AND CHECK IT OUT!

Dates: Every Wednesday & Thursday– Jan. 11-12 thru April 5-6, 2017

Times: 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm on Wednesdays; 9:00 am to 10:30 am on Thursdays

Location: OLL’s SPIRITUALITY ROOM

For additional details, contact Sue Zavodny (908-789-8543; zavodnys@comcast.net);

Please remember the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes in your estate planning.