

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## The Epiphany of the Lord + January 8, 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 remember in your prayers the souls of* Stephen Plaston, Antoinette Falso and Owen Brennan. 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 Kaeppel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Elaine Salemy, David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino and Pat Knodel.

*The Eucharistic Chapel Candles* will burn this week in loving memory for Marie Mirabelli requested by Kathy & Dave Snyder, and for the special intentions for Irene Ciccarino requested by Greg, Michelle Onofri & 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

### Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

11:30 am - Confirmation 9<sup>th</sup> Grade  
5:00 pm - Family Faith Formation

### Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>

4:00 pm - Faith Formation  
7:00 pm - Faith Formation

### Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

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

### Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am - Walking with Purpose

### Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

8:45 am - Gathering of Women

## Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

At the beginning of this New Year, I offer heartfelt wishes of peace to the world’s peoples and nations.

May nonviolence become the hallmark of our decisions, our relationships and our actions.

### Altar Server Schedule for the Weekend of January 14 - 15, 2017

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 5:00 PM           | SEE SCHEDULE |
| 7:30 AM           | SEE SCHEDULE |
| 9:30 AM           | SEE SCHEDULE |
| 11:30 AM          | SEE SCHEDULE |
| 5:00 PM<br>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**

His merciful kindness is great towards us.  
Psalm 117

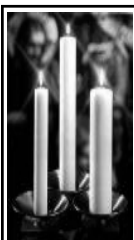
Kindness is invariably associated with mercy. It is impossible to be kind without being merciful. Likewise to be merciful is to be kind. It implies that there is deep genuine concern for another. This concern is one of compassion and mercy. We are moved to be kind because we care. Caring is the essence of God's selfless love expressed to another.

**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, 1 pm, 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, January 7<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, The Epiphany of the Lord**

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

**Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 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

**Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, The Baptism of the Lord**

7:30 AM Special Intentions for Charles Good  
Req. by Teresa Evangelista  
8:30 AM Diane Ruggiero  
Req. by Karen & Philip Geron

**Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Virginia Farinella  
Req. by Ed & Marie Smith  
8:30 AM Beverly Cambria  
Req. by Albert & Donna Andreano

**Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Diane, Bob & Chuck Ruggiero  
Req. by Bill & Camilla Quinn  
8:30 AM Dessolina Gandolfi  
Req. by Louise & Tony Franciosa

**Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Marlene Stancati  
Req. by Rev. Richard Carrington  
8:30 AM Dessolina Gandolfi  
Req. by Marc & Paula Franciosa

**Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, St. Hilary**

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard  
Req. by the Family  
8:30 AM Linda Kehoe-Goldberg  
Req. by Kathy & Dave Snyder

**Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM Linda (Romeo) Buckarecki  
Req. by Mrs. Romeo

**Saturday Evening, January 14<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Florence Richard  
Req. by the Faella Family

**Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:30 AM Linda Kehoe-Goldberg  
Req. by the Families of 5B  
11:30 AM Josephine Inguagiato  
Req. by Anthony Inguagiato & Family  
5:00 PM Jack Graziano  
Req. by M/M Vincent Buonaspina

## The Epiphany of the Lord

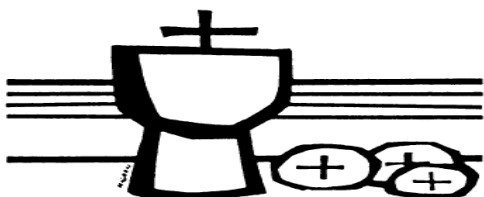
### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38;  
Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17
- Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28  
or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9;  
Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
- Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
- Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
- Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3;  
Jn 1:29-34

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.



Collection for 12/26/2016: \$8,499  
Collection for 1/1/2017: \$11,063  
YTD Actual Collection: \$220,606  
YTD Budgeted Collection: \$256,600 \*  
YTD Deficit: (- \$35,994)

Christmas Collection Actual: \$52,099  
Christmas Collection Budget: \$50,000  
Surplus: \$2,099

\* This year's budgeted collections had assumed a seven percent increase in order to meet the Archdiocese budget submission requirements.

In the U.S. Sunday is the Epiphany. It is the time for us to celebrate that our Lord's coming was revealed to and was really for the whole world.

Sunday is the Baptism of the Lord in most of the world. It is celebrated on Monday in the U.S. We hear the Lord say in the first reading from Isaiah, "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit." That is echoed in Luke's Gospel, after Jesus' baptism: "And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." The Baptism of the Lord marks the end of the Christmas season. We begin Ordinary Time this week on the Church calendar which will continue until Ash Wednesday.

During this first week in Ordinary Time, we begin a four week cycle of weekday readings from the Letter to the Hebrews. This is the longest letter to any community in the New Testament. It seems to be a discouraged community that receives encouragement in this letter.

For the next eight weeks, until the beginning of Lent, the weekday gospels are from Mark's Gospel. Mark offers us a look this week at the beginning of Jesus public ministry. He drives out evil spirits, heals the sick and forgives sins, to the skepticism of the scribes. He hears the cry of the leper: "If you wish, you can make me clean," and Jesus, "moved with pity" heals him. Friends lower a paralytic from a roof down into the crowd in front of Jesus, who heals him and says, "Child, your sins are forgiven." Jesus extends an invitation to the despised tax collector, Levi: "Follow me."

### Circle of Compassion

**"Demonstrate your faith to me without works and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works"**

Please continue your generous support of the efforts of the Circle of Compassion. You may bring your non-perishable food items any weekend and deposit these items in the containers at the entrances of the Church.

You may also make a monetary donation by submitting an envelope marked CIRCLE OF COMPASSION and placing it in the collection basket at Sunday Mass. We will make the necessary purchases for delivery to St. Rocco's.

On behalf of Father Josephat and the many families in Newark that are sustained by your generosity, we ask God's continued blessing on the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes. God Bless You!

The Circle of Compassion,

Mike Billy, Elizabeth Kelly, Norma Weinstein,  
Mark Margello, Bob Miraglia and Gerry Gallagher

### WELCOME CARDINAL TOBIN

This past Friday, Joseph William Cardinal Tobin was installed as 10<sup>th</sup> Bishop and 6 Archbishop of Newark by the Papal Nuncio (Vatican Ambassador to the USA) Archbishop Christophe Pierre at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Joseph William Tobin, C.Ss.R. (born May 3, 1952). On November 7, 2016, Pope Francis appointed him Archbishop of Newark, New Jersey. He had served as the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis since October 18, 2012. Tobin previously served a secretary of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (CICLSAL) from August 2, 2010. He has been a Cardinal since 19 November 2016.

Cardinal Tobin was born in Detroit, Michigan, in 1952, the oldest of the thirteen children of Joseph W. Tobin and Marie Terese Kerwin. He was baptized five days after his birth.

By the time he had graduated from high school Tobin felt called to serve as a Catholic priest, and applied to the Redemptorists, by whom he was accepted as a candidate. He made his temporary profession of religious vows as a member of the Congregation on August 5, 1972 and his perpetual vows on August 21, 1976. Fr. Tobin was ordained a priest on June 1, 1978. He was elected General Consultor of the Redemptorist Fathers in 1991 and on September 9, 1997 was elected Superior General. He received his Episcopal consecration in Rome on October 9, 2010.

On October 18, 2012, Pope Benedict XVI assigned Archbishop Tobin to become Archbishop in Indianapolis, Indiana. On October 9, 2016, Pope Francis announced that Tobin would be made a Cardinal and on November 7, 2016, Pope Francis named Cardinal Tobin Archbishop of Newark, New Jersey.

**WELCOME CARDINAL TOBIN!!!**

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



### Focus on Faith Formation



The next Confirmation session is this Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> starting with the 11:30 am Mass.

Family Faith meets again this Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> beginning with the 5 pm Mass.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation for our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will take place on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 am. In case of snow, the make up date is scheduled for January 29<sup>th</sup>.

The next 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade mini retreat is Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> starting with the 5 pm Mass.

Please pray for our 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders who will be taking the ACRE survey for the Archdiocese of Newark throughout the month of January. Surveys will be done during regular class times.

Join us as we reflect on:  
New Beginnings....  
Time to Reflect....  
to Refresh and to Renew!



**Saturday, January 14, 2017**

8:45 am - 9:00 am - Gathering

9:00 am - 10:00 am - Prayer, reflection and sharing

Brothers in Christ, The Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, will have a meeting at 7 pm on January 16, 2017 in Pollard Hall. The upcoming Gospel and ways to serve the Parish and the Community will be discussed. Light refreshments will be served. New members are always welcome to join this Catholic Fellowship.



**Family Promise  
Interfaith Hospitality Network**  
Union County, NJ

**Tend My Sheep Ministry**

Our next Tend My Sheep Ministry will be here before you know it. 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, and we have posted an online sign-up sheet at <http://goo.gl/379DuT>. Don't feel I like cooking but would like to help? The sign-up sheet contains many items that can be purchased and dropped off at Pollard Hall on Thursday, January 26, 2016 from 3 - 4:30 pm. If you do not have internet access and wish to donate, please contact Debbie Perez-Santalla at (908) 232-7172.

If you cannot sign up for food or other nonperishable items, 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.

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

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

Deacon Mike and Karen Hahner  
Coordinators

**Holy Trinity School Open House  
Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>!**

All families are invited and encouraged to visit and learn more about Holy Trinity School. Come learn about our outstanding academic curriculum, extracurricular programs, clubs, and sports; meet our teachers; and tour our campuses!

**Mountainside**

Holy Trinity School Early Education Center  
Age 2 to Full-day Kindergarten  
10:15 am to 12:00 pm  
304 Central Ave., Mountainside

**Westfield Campus**

Holy Trinity School  
Full-day Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm  
336 First Street, Westfield

Since 1916, Holy Trinity has provided a quality Catholic education to Westfield and the surrounding communities. A 2011 National Blue Ribbon School, its mission is to educate students to actualize their full, individual potential both spiritually and academically. For more information check out our website at <https://htisnj.com> or call 908 -233-0484.



**FOR THE WOMEN OF OUR COMMUNITY!!!!**

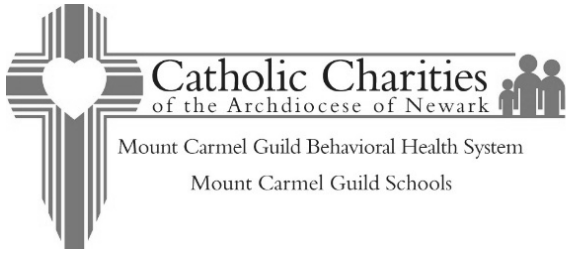


Join us as our study continues

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– January 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

ACCOUNTABILITY  
WITH HEARTFELT THANKS



Catholic Charities received \$3,145 as a result of your clothing donations from June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016. These funds combined with monies from parishes in a similar program throughout the Archdiocese enabled Catholic Charities to provide 93,598 nights of shelter to 1,226 homeless individuals and families (FY 2016).

Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ’s love to the most vulnerable in our society.

P.S. We are in need of novels and children’s books.

Support Group for the Divorced and Separated

Are you separated or divorced? Do you know someone who is? The Divorced and Separated Ministry of the Church of the Little Flower in Berkeley Heights is offering a twelve week support group designed to provide comfort and healing before, during, and after the divorce process. The group will meet on Wednesdays, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm beginning February 15<sup>th</sup> and will continue through May 10<sup>th</sup>.

The program features video presentations from *The Catholic’s Divorce Survival Guide* followed by discussion. Some of the topics covered are: *Finding Strength and Help, Getting Through Your Anger, Learning to Forgive, Handling Money Wisely, and Relearning How to Date.* The group is open to all denominations. **Registration is required.**

For more information and to register, please see the church’s website [lfbhnj.org](http://lfbhnj.org), contact [divorceministry.lf@gmail.com](mailto:divorceministry.lf@gmail.com) or call the church office at 908-464-1585.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

**To:** Serve as a 2016 On-Call Adorer to help cover for our Midnight to 6 am Adoration Team during vacations, illness, etc.

**Your Commitment: UP TO only 2x per year**

**How It Works:** You will be 1 of at least 3 On-Call Adorers at a given time. Before contacting On-Call Adorers, we first ask regular and sub adorers for help.

Depending on our needs and other coverage resources, you may never be called.

If you have any restrictions (e.g., Mondays only, etc.), just let us know what they are.

Our Chapel is secure; additional information will be provided to you.

Our number of On-Call Adorers has dropped significantly due to moves, illness, etc., and we need to replace them in order to keep our Chapel going. Please pray on and consider this special opportunity to serve the Lord.

Remember, your commitment would be for **UP TO only 2x per year,** and that the Lord will Never be outdone in generosity.

To sign up or obtain additional information, contact Kathy Snyder (phone: 908-232-4817; email [auntkik@comcast.net](mailto:auntkik@comcast.net) )

**SAVE YOUR CANCELLED STAMPS**

Please save all the cancelled stamps on your Christmas cards.

Drop them in the containers in the vestibules of the Church for the Disabled Veterans.

**SCHOOL ROOF REPAIR**

As was mentioned in the presentation of the Parish Financial Report last October, both the Pollard Hall and school roofs need repair. The most critical is the school roof. About 6 weeks ago during a heavy rainstorm, water came down from the school skylights. I had hoped to postpone the repair work until next Spring when, with the help of an extra fundraiser, monies might become available. This repair can no longer be postponed. I have spoken with the contractor, Guymar Roofing (the company who put on the new Church roof) and they have agreed to the following. Complete all repairs originally scheduled in 3 segments, to be done all at once. The parish will pay in two installments of \$7,310.00 each. The company has agreed to receive two payments, one after Christmas and the 2<sup>nd</sup> payment after Easter.

(Please note that neither this roof repair of \$14,620.00 nor the Church sound system repair of \$7,100.00 were included in this year’s budget!!!)