

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Baptism of the Lord + January 12, 2020

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.

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COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

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

Prayer Requests

Please remember in your prayers the soul of

Anne De Meo, Louise Stacy, Denise Coscia, Frank Bove and Virginia Osiecki . May they rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Rich Ruggeri,

Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Jack Schuvart, Luke Granger, Martha Pares, Irene Ciccarino, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fred Perna, Frances Kayton, Manny Teixeira, Jack Ford, Logan Alseika, Anthony DePalma, Edward Stacy, Joe Raughbaugh, Mary Reich, Jim Loomam, Mildred Plucienik, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, Marilyn Hart and Peter Spadaccini.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the special intentions for Joseph Giaccio requested by the Scutari Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the special intentions for the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please Pray for our service member, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino's grandson) and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

Worship means concentrating on what is essential: ridding ourselves of useless things and addictions that anesthetize the heart and confound the mind.

In worshipping, we too will discover, like the Magi, the meaning of our journey. And like the Magi, we too will experience "a great joy".

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!

Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 12th

11:30 am - Confirmation Session

Tuesday, January 14th

4:00 pm - Faith Formation

7:00 pm - Faith Formation

Wednesday, January 15th

4:00 pm - Faith Formation

7:30 pm - Youth Group

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!



ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

All boys and girls are welcome to sign up, the only qualification is that you already received your First Holy Communion!

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT FR. BILL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Sponsor Letters—Canon (Church) Law states that a Godparent for Baptism and a Sponsor for Confirmation be an active, fully-initiated Catholic (Confirmed). An active Catholic is a parishioner who is registered, attends Mass weekly, contributes to the support of the Church, is in a valid Catholic marriage (an individual married civilly, by a judge, mayor, or divorced and remarried without an annulment is not eligible to act as a sponsor) and publicly leads a genuine Christian lifestyle. Please note that we can only write Letters of Eligibility for parishioners who meet these criteria.

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

We shall steer safely through every storm, as long as our heart is right, our intention fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed in God.

St. Francis de Sales

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!

Jesus longs for our company—just one hour...

PERMANENT ADORERS NEEDED FOR HOURS BEGINNING:

- Monday: Noon; 2 pm
- Tuesday: 10 am
- Thursday: 3 pm
- Friday: Noon; 8 pm
- Saturday: 3 am (that's Friday into Saturday); 3 pm

2nd ADORERS NEEDED FOR HOURS BEGINNING:

- Sunday: between 9 am & 1 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm, 9 pm, 11 pm
 - Monday: 11 pm
 - Tuesday: 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm
 - Wednesday: 9 am, 11 am, 2 pm, 5 pm, 7 pm
 - Thursday: between 6 am & noon; 5 pm
 - Friday: 7 am, 2 pm, 3 pm, 10 pm,
 - Saturday: between 9 am & 11 am, between 1 pm & 5 pm between 7 pm & 11 pm
- All days of the week - between Midnight & 6 am.

SUBSTITUTE & ON-CALL ADORERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!

CONTACT:

KATHY SNYDER (908-232-4817; auntkik@comcast.net) or MARIANNE TAYLOR (908-233-6074)

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!



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.



Saturday Evening, January 11th, Vigil, Baptism of the Lord

5:00 PM Stephen Brady
Req. by the Brady and Ford Families

Sunday, January 12th, Baptism of the Lord

7:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies
Req. by the K of C Westfield Council 1711

9:30 AM William Tomko
Req. by Maria Tomko & Family

11:30 AM Josephine Inguagiato
Req. by the Family

5:00 PM Aileen M. Pelletiere
Req. by Angela & Gary Richard

Monday, January 13th, St. Hilary

7:30 AM St. Anthony
Req. by Rose Vera Kaepfel

8:30 AM Joe Hogan
Req. by the Ferrer Family

Tuesday, January 14th

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard
Req. by the Family

8:30 AM Ben Mirto
Req. by Eileen Mirto

Wednesday, January 15th

7:30 AM Mickey O'Brien
Req. by Carlos & Marlene Perez-Santalla

8:30 AM Olga Spagnola
Req. by Diane Manziano

Thursday, January 16th

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Ilg/Booth Families
Req. by Rose Vera Kaepfel

8:30 AM Joseph Montano
Req. by William R. Benedetto

Friday, January 17th

7:30 AM Jesus Perez-Santalla
Req. by Carlos & Marlene Perez-Santalla

8:30 AM No Mass Intention

Saturday, January 18th

8:00 AM George Stummer
Req. by Rosemary Stummer

Saturday Evening, January 18th, Vigil, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 19th, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies in the Womb
Req. by the Filipino Group of OLL

9:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies in the Womb
Req. by the Filipino Group of OLL

11:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies in the Womb
Req. by the Filipino Group of OLL

5:00 PM Protection of Unborn Babies in the Womb
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Baptism of the Lord

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8 abcd;
Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10;
Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25;
Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7;
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

Sunday is the The Baptism of the Lord. 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." Those words are echoed in Matthew's Gospel, "'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'" The Baptism is the feast that marks the end of the Christmas season. We begin 34 weeks of "Ordinary Time," which are all of the weeks outside of the Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter seasons. Ordinary Time will continue until Ash Wednesday on February 26.

Friday is the Memorial of Saint Anthony, abbot.

During the weekdays, we begin a three-week cycle of captivating readings from the First Book of Samuel. We read of Samuel's mother, Hannah, who promises the Lord, "if you give your handmaid a male child, I will give him to the LORD for as long as he lives." Samuel hears a call from the Lord and responds, "Speak, for your servant is listening." An epic battle against the Philistines ends in devastating losses for Israel and the capture of the Ark of the Covenant. In his old age, Samuel rules Israel and the elders ask Samuel to appoint a King to rule them. Samuel meets Saul. "When Samuel caught sight of Saul, the LORD assured him," This is the man of whom I told you; he is to govern my people."

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



Collections

December 22 - \$7,088

December 25 (as of 1/2/20) - \$ 56,948

December 29 - \$ 7,436

January 1, Holy Day - \$ 2,328

January 5 - \$ 5,042

For the next few weeks, until the beginning of Lent, the weekday gospels are from Mark's Gospel. Mark offers us a look at the beginning of Jesus public ministry. Jesus calls his first disciples, fisherman at work: Simon and Andrew, then James and John. "Then they left their nets and followed him." He drives out evil spirits and heals the sick. He hears the cry of the leper: "If you wish, you can make me clean," and Jesus, "moved with pity" heals him. Jesus extends an invitation to the despised tax collector, Levi: "Follow me."

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.

Mass Book for 2020 is now open.

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.



A Reminder:



The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King. It will reopen on Tuesday, January 21st at 9 am. There will be only one Mass at 9 am.



**CALLING ALL
ROSARIANS
DON YOUR APRONS
SUPER BOWL
BAKE SALE
FEBRUARY 1st - 2nd
ALL HANDS NEEDED**

Abortion and the Supreme Court

Is Roe vs Wade doomed?

The St. Helens/Holy Trinity Respect Life Ministry invites you to this presentation by Andrew C. McCarthy **Sunday, January 19, 2- 4 pm, 1600 Rahway Avenue, St. Helen's Parish Center, Westfield.** Mr. McCarthy's take on Roe is that "the Supreme Court itself has dismantled much of Roe's framework. What survives is its narrowing core." "Have you noticed that the question of Roe's vitality seems to arise only when there is a vacancy on the High Court during a Republican administration?" So, will it be overturned? Come and find out. Andrew C. McCarthy is a former adjunct professor at Fordham University Law School and NY Law School, from which he graduated. Mr. McCarthy in 1995 was a U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York and led the successful prosecution of Sheikh Omar Abdel-Rahman and eleven others for the 1993 World Trade Center bombing. He is a frequent commentator for Fox News and contributing editor to National Review. *Mr. McCarthy has written eight books including NY Times bestseller "Ball of Collusion" and will sign any of his books after his talk.*



Circle of Compassion

**Remember those in need
And support our annual**

SOUPER BOWL APPEAL

Cans of Soup and New Socks

Will be collected at the church entrances.

Saturday, February 1st & Sunday, February 2nd

Monetary donations will also be accepted.
(We will gladly do the shopping)

Thank you as always for your generous response.

Thank you to all the parishioners who Donated for the Baby Clothes Drive for the Society of the Christ Child. It will help needy parents who have health insurance issues and other serious needs.



NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY TO START SOON!

Please join us on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm or Thursday mornings from 9:30-11 am for "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass." Utilizing videos hosted by Dr. Edward Sri of the Augustine Institute, accompanying guidebooks and group discussions, this five-part program takes participants on an exciting tour of the Liturgy as it explores the Biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. See, perhaps for the first time, why we say what we say and do what we do every week at Mass. The words and gestures will be seen in a new light, giving new life to the liturgical experience.

This program will run from January 22/23 until February 19/20. The registration fee is \$25 per person, which covers the cost of all materials. For registration or more information, please contact Susan Zavodny at 908-789-8543 or zavodnys@comcast.net.



Brothers in Christ, The Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, will have a meeting at 6:30 pm on January 20th in Pollard Hall. Scripture, Catholic issues 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. For further information contact Mike Billy (bmichael103@aol.com).

Focus on Faith Formation



Confirmation Grade 9: The next session is this Sunday, January 12th beginning with the 11:30 am Mass.

Congratulations to our children who made the Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation yesterday!

Christian Basile	Nicholas Klein
Gianni Cerullo	Rebecca Klemens
Sarah Coscia	Olivia Ladenheim
John DeNoble	Benjamin Landale
Catherine Dilkes	Joni Lapinski
Grant Domenick	Francesca Marano
Sophia Errico	Adriana Miller
George Ferreira	Joseph Miller
Declan Flynn	Adriana Oliveira
Reagan Flynn	Gabriel Papio
Olivia Giuliano	Emma Petrazzuoli
Emma Hasselgren	Ava Plamenco
Eleanor Hough	Gabriella Queli
Connor James	Sasha Romaszka
Wolfgang Joas	Michael Silva
Bianca Kannaley	Alicia Wilches
Chase Keenan	

RCIA

*Rite of
Christian
Initiation
for Adults*



Interested in becoming Catholic?

Are you searching for meaning or trying to make sense out of life? Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Are you married to a Catholic and wonder what Catholics believe? Have you considered sharing the same faith as your spouse or your kids? Were you baptized Catholic, but never received the Sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist or Confirmation? **MAYBE GOD IS CALLING YOU...** The R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which we "make new Catholics": a process of learning, and asking questions, and growing together in a nurturing welcoming community of faith. Find out more: contact Fr. Bill Benedetto at frbill@ollmountainside.org or you can call the parish office at 908-232-1162.

Family Promise Interfaith Hospitality Network Union County, NJ

Tend My Sheep Ministry

On Thursday and Friday, January 2 and 3, 2020, our parish hosted 14 guests, six adults and eight children, ranging in age from 9 months to 12 years, at St. Andrews in New Providence. As usual, the menu was delicious and included turkey tetrazzini, homemade soup, meatballs and chicken fingers, in addition to pot roast and fixings.

Again, we would like to say THANK YOU to all of our parishioners. Since our last hosting in October 2019, four families have moved into their own apartments, with the help of Family First, a nonprofit organization that assists families in finding affordable housing. Your generous donations have provided many needed household items. Remember, if you have any small appliances, especially vacuum cleaners and microwaves that are no longer needed, please consider donating them to former Family Promise guests.

We would also like to thank our wonderful cooks, food providers, volunteers, and overnight hosts, all of whom make this program such a success. We could not do this without you.

Our next hosting will be at First United Methodist Church in Westfield in the first week of April. As we get closer to the date, please check the bulletin.

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

Children's Choir

We invite all interested young people with a desire to praise God in song to join us. If you are interested, but missed the first meeting, don't worry! Everyone is welcome! Just contact Theresa Neglia at tneglia@shp.org for more information.

Adult Choir

The OLL adult choir meets Sundays at 10:30 am in the school library and sings at the 11:30 am Mass. If you are interested in more information, see Joe Neglia after any Mass, or contact him at jneglia@shp.org.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS OFFERED IN MEMORY OF...

**Deceased Members of the
Higgins & Dalrymple Families**

by
M/M Kenneth Dalrymple

Gass & Leick Families

by
M/M Albert Leick

**Robert Flynn
Deceased Members of the
Flynn & Rutyna Families**

by
Carol Flynn

Brady & Ford Families

by
M/M John Ford

Eckert & Koletan Families

by
M/M Vince Eckert

**J.D. & Walter
Family & Friends**

by
M/M Robert Kuczynski

**Andrew Dachnowicz
Nora Halligan**

by
Eileen Dachnowicz

**Matthew E. Gallagher
Sarah E. Mc Quillin Skudder**

by
M/M Gerard Gallagher

**Ahlquist Family
Pagowski Family**

by
Helen Ahlquist

John Bradley

by
Patricia Bradley

Louise Federico

by
M/M Gregory Federico

**Alfred J. Murasso
My Loving Father**

by
M/M Craig Schwartz

**Bittner Family
Landers Family**

by
M/M Kenneth Bittner

Bob Pellegrino

by
Constance Pellegrino

Deceased Members of the

**Kiley Family
Gray Family
Donovan Family
Mooney Family**

by
M/M Charles Kiley

**Antonio Cunha
Frank & Irene Conde**

by
M/M Frank Conde

Kerin J. Ward

by
Ethel Ward

**Lucregia Barbei
Jerry Barbei**

by
M/M Vito Spagnolo

**M/M Joseph Zavodny
M/M Robert Landeman
Betty Ann Johnson**

by
M/M Paul Zavodny

**Margaret Pauser
Cotter Family**

**C. Pipher
F. Pipher
C. Doress
G. Doress
E. McMurdo**

by
M/M Christopher Pipher

**Adelina Garvin
Helen Garvin
Maridel Garvin
Rosalina Bravo Gomez**

by
M/M H. Punsal

**Spray Family
Vignola Family**

by
M/M Anthony Vignola

Olga Spagnola

by
M/M John Manziano

**Choma Family
Ronkowitz Family**

by
Dr./Mrs. Myroslaw Choma

**Margaret Pauser
Cotter Family**

by
M/M Richard Cotter

**Genevieve M. Powers
Matthew V. Powers**

by
Mary Ellen Powers

**Grandma & Grandpa
Esteves & Manganiello**

by
Bruce Manganiello

Arthur & Theresa Sauerborn

by
Sauerborn Family

Paul McGlynn

by
Barbara McGlynn

Gift of...

M/M George Carrico
M/M Michael Cisko
M/M Daniel DeLorenzo
M/M Luigi Falco
Mrs. Silvestre Gonzalez
M/M Raymond Hofmann
M/M Michael Kiesewetter
M/M Richard Maresca
M/M Stephen Murrach
Mrs. Anne Marie Palone
M/M Richard Polce
M/M Luis Quispe
Mr. Richard Rader
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