

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Sunday of Divine Mercy + April 3, 2016

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, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Charles Ropars, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Joeline Stearns, Meurice Lake, Frank Servello and Helen Ahlquist.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Susan Letnik requested by Helen Kascin, for the loving memory of Louise Hanbicki requested by husband, Edward, for the special intentions of Joseph Kamal requested by Laura Kuntz.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the loving memory of the deceased members 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.



Sunday, April 3rd

10:30 am - Faith Formation
 11:30 pm - Confirmation Session
 5:00 pm - Family Faith Formation

Monday, April 4th

1:00 pm - Rosary Altar Society Meeting

Tuesday, April 5th

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

Wednesday, April 6th

4:00 pm - Faith Formation

Saturday, April 9th

8:45 am - Gathering of Women

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

Jesus Christ is Risen! Love has triumphed over hatred, life has conquered death,
 light has dispelled the darkness.

Every Christian is a “Christopher”, that is, a bearer of Christ.

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of April 9 - 10, 2016

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	NANCY SPADACCINI	CONGREGATION VOLUNTEERS	DOMENICO DELUCA GIULIA LYN GOGGI WILLIAM ZIPETO
7:30 AM	CHRISTINA NIXON	CONGREGATION VOLUNTEERS	SEAN QUIMSON SAVERIO ZIPETO
9:30 AM	KEVIN TEDESCO	CONGREGATION VOLUNTEERS	JOHN BITTNER MICHAEL BITTNER JACK WARGASKI RYAN WARGASKI
11:30 AM	BEN PARMA	CONGREGATION VOLUNTEERS	JAMES SNYDER LAURA PARRELL ZACH PATER
SUNDAY 5:00 PM	CATERINE WATSON	CONGREGATION	CONLETH GORHAM RYAN KENNEDY

Everyone is welcome! Please contact our Parish Office VOLUNTEERS



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

God is Love
1 John 4:8

Never question God's great love, for it is as unchangeable a part of God as is His holiness. No Matter how terrible your sins, God loves you. Were it not for the love of God, none of us would ever have a chance in the future life.. But God is love! And His love for us is everlasting.

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!

One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!

- Sunday: 4 am, 9 am, 11 am, 6 pm
- Monday: 9 am, 6 pm
- Tuesday: 12 noon, 1 pm, 12 midnight
- Wednesday: 1 am, 11 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm
- Thursday:
- Friday: 12 noon, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm, 12 midnight
- Saturday: 11 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 5 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.



Please join us as we pray, reflect, and share the invitation of Jesus to come and experience new life!



Saturday, April 9, 2016

Reflection: Easter: A Celebration of 50 Days

8:45 am - 9:00 am - Gathering
9:00 am - 10:00 am - Prayer, Reflection, Sharing



Saturday Evening April 2nd, Vigil, Divine Mercy Sunday

5:00 PM Mary Jeffers
Req. by Meurice Lake

Sunday, April 3rd, Divine Mercy Sunday

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM John & Lucy Cangro
Req. by Linda Fedey
11:30 AM Peggy Giordano
Req. by Charles & Regina Piscitelli
5:00 PM Thomas Caputo
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Monday, April 4th, The Annunciation of the Lord

7:30 AM Matthew Burvett
Req. by Rita & Gregory Federico
8:30 AM Paul Krasauskas
Req. by Lois Hertzberg & Lois Schulze

Tuesday, April 5th, St. Vincent Ferrer

7:30 AM Henry & Stella Meier
Req. by their son, Gregory
8:30 AM Donald Mueller
Req. by Kelly Waters

Wednesday, April 6th

7:30 AM James Pierson
Req. by Maria Profita
8:30 AM Patricia Kontra
Req. by the Family

Thursday, April 7th, St. John the Baptist

7:30 AM Inocencio Ruiz
Req. by the Piscitelli Family
8:30 AM Angela Sacca Tramontana
Req. by the Trimarco Family

Friday, April 8th

7:30 AM Fred. J. Perna
Req. by Fred & Kathy Perna
8:30 AM David Hart
Req. by the Family

Saturday, April 9th

8:00 AM Jennie Faella
Req. by Mike Merola & Kay LiCausi

Saturday Evening, April 9th, Vigil, Third Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

Sunday, April 10th, Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM Peter Kuhn
Req. by the Family
9:30 AM Donald Oberding
Req. by Anita Tedesco
11:30 AM Edward Manziano
Req. by Theresa Manziano
5:00 PM Mary Lou Greeley
Req. by the Hahner Family

Divine Mercy Sunday

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10;
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

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.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter, April 3rd is Divine Mercy Sunday as decreed by St. John Paul II. We will have exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the Mercy Hour of 3:00 pm.

This Feast of Divine Mercy, as recorded in the diary of Saint Faustina, receives from Jesus himself the greatest promises of Grace related to the Devotion of Divine Mercy. Specifically, Jesus states that the soul that goes to Sacramental Confession within eight days before or after Divine Mercy Sunday and receives Holy Communion on that Sunday, shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and pardon from all temporal punishment due to sin. Additionally, Holy Mother Church grants a plenary indulgence, observing the usual rules with the recitation of some simple prayers.

"This Feast emerged from the very depths of My mercy, and it is confirmed in the vast depths of my tender mercies. Every soul believing and trusting in My mercy will obtain it." (Jesus' words, Diary 420)

On the Second Sunday of Easter, as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, we get a picture of how the early community gathered around as "Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles." John's Gospel gives us two post-resurrection stories that feature Thomas, the doubting apostle. "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Monday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, with its own special readings. This special celebration was moved from its traditional March 25 date because of Holy Week. Thursday is the Memorial of Saint John Baptist de la Salle, Priest.

The Acts of the Apostles all this week offers us the challenges the apostles faced from the earliest communities and from the Jewish authorities.

For the remaining five weeks of the Easter season, our readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and from John's Gospel, with stories of Jesus' ministry not heard during the Ordinary Time of the liturgical year.

The weekday readings begin with the frightened Pharisee, Nicodemus, coming at night to speak to Jesus, asking how anyone can be "born again." Jesus says we must be born of water and Spirit. John's gospel offers a poetic look at light and darkness, good and evil: "the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light..." But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. John writes, "For the one whom God sent speaks the words of God." After Jesus' disciples tell him to send 5,000 people away, he shows them how to feed them all. He walks across the sea to meet his apostles in their boat, saying, "It is I. Do not be afraid."

The Gift of Words Book Club will meet on Wednesday, April 13th at 1:30 pm in the Spirituality Room.

We will be discussing
The Little Paris Bookshop.
It is by the author Nina George.

All are welcome to join us!



COLLECTION

March 20

\$6,331

Year to Date Actual

\$337,373

Year to Date Budget

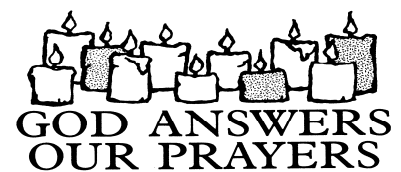
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BRACELET FOUND

Please contact the
parish office
at 908-232-1162.



Circle of Compassion

"I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works"

James 2: 18

The response to the Easter appeal by the Circle of Compassion was overwhelming. It is a clear example of the action St. James urged upon the faithful in the early Church as to how we have Called to respond to the poor in providing for the most basic need for food. The Faith Formation youth have donated over \$862 which will be directed to St. Joseph's Social Service and when combined with other generous monetary gifts from parishioners will exceed over \$1,100 for the work that Sister Jacinta has dedicated her life to. It is our continuing prayer that God will bless you abundantly for this action.

The Circle of Compassion

Mike Billy Elizabeth Kelly Mike Margello
Deacon Mike DeRoberts Glenn Rosivak
Norma Weinstein Bob Miraglia Gerry Gallagher

**Second Collection
Catholic Home Missions**

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place next week. One way that this appeal works to support home mission dioceses in the United States is by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, because educating each seminarian costs \$35-40K per year. Your support is needed for these young men so that they might go back and serve their parishes. Please strengthen the Church at home by making a generous gift to next week's appeal.

St. Rocco's Food Pantry

Please support the efforts of the Circle of Compassion by bringing in non perishable food items next weekend or making a monetary donation by submitting an envelope marked "Circle of Compassion" and placing it in the collection basket at Mass. The food will be distributed to help feed the need in these difficult economic times.

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING
Saint Jude Service Project
April 4 2016**

1:00 pm - Rosary in Church
1:30 pm - General Meeting in Pollard Hall.
Please bring scissors.



Focus on Faith Formation

Registration is now open for the 2016-2017 Faith Formation school year and are due no later than May 20th. Please go to ollfaithformation.org and click on the registration tab. Please be sure to print out the registration forms, as well as emergency and volunteer forms. Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis.

Please consider volunteering in our program. Our program cannot run without the help of parent and parish volunteers. If you do not have children in our program, but would like to help spread Jesus' message to young people, please contact Fran Michetti at fmichetti@ollmountainside.org.

If you have a current Kindergarten student entering 1st grade in the fall, it is time to register for Faith Formation classes. Sacrament preparation for First Holy Eucharist begins in 1st grade and is a 2 year program. Please go to ollfaithformation.org and click on the registration tab for forms or Contact the Faith Formation Office at 908-233-1777.

Our next Confirmation session will be on Sunday, April 3rd beginning with the 11:30 am Mass.

Our next Family Faith class will be Sunday, April 3rd beginning with the 5:00 pm Mass. Our speaker will be Fr. John Gordon who will speak on the Year of Mercy. All in the parish are welcome to attend.

Due to the Mountainside Public School schedule, we will have spring break for Faith Formation the week of April 10th so there will be no classes.

Thank you to our 8th graders who did a wonderful job performing the Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. A special thank you to Ken Bittner, John Bittner, and Bridget Lawrence for all their hard work in making the Living Stations a success.

Gospel Reflection Questions:

Life Question: Why are Jesus' friends so afraid they lock themselves in a room and pray?

Gospel Question: How do the disciples feel when Jesus appears among them?

St Joseph's Sandwich Ministry...

Are you interested in making sandwiches in your own home, on a date of your choice, for St. Joseph's Social Service Center?

For more Information, or to volunteer for a date, please contact Briege Lennon at 908-789-8581 or email blcellequi@aol.com.

CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER



Our Lady of
Lourdes,
Mountainside

Frequently Asked Questions

How will the parish goals be determined?

Parish goal calculations are based on 100 percent of the 2013, offertory (first collections) using the reported information for unrestricted plate and donations.

How much will my parish receive as part of this campaign?

As part of the *We Are Living Stones* Capital Campaign, \$40 million will be allocated to help parishes meet their local needs. After the *Works of Mercy* target is met, 50% of all funds raised will stay at the parish for projects determined by local leadership.

Is our parish goal an assessment?

No, the established parish targets are not an assessment. However, the first monies raised at each parish will be allocated to help meet the parish's "*Works of Mercy*" target. All parishes are asked to conduct a "good faith effort" and work with their assigned campaign director to achieve their target. If after conducting a "good faith effort" the parish does not meet its goal, the parish will not be assessed the balance.

Will any of these funds be used for items other than the established case elements?

No. The Archdiocese has both a legal and moral obligation to restrict these funds for the stated elements. The funds raised for the campaign will be used exclusively for the named case elements.

Is there a certain order for case element funding?

The *Works of Mercy* portion of the case will be funded first and then all other elements will be funded in a proportional way.

Why aren't we including the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for all four years of the Campaign?

During the course of our campaign, it is vital that we maintain the financial resources required to sustain these ministries, programs, services and the central administrative and pastoral offices. The decision has been made to replace the Archbishop's Annual Appeal and incorporate a *Works of Mercy* target for each parish throughout the *We Are Living Stones* Capital Campaign. Parishes conducting the campaign in Block Three will resume the new Sharing God's Blessings annual appeal in 2017.

Can I designate my gift to a specific case item?

Yes. Donors can specify special interests on their pledge card as they pertain to the greater case for support in the *We Are Living Stones* campaign. If a donor wishes to designate he/she must specify clearly how the gift should be designated.

Why are pledges encouraged, instead of one-time donations?

Pledges provide parishioners with the opportunity to make a more significant gift to the mission of the Church. A contribution is easier to pay off over a period of time rather than a one-time gift out of pocket. In addition, pledges allow the Archdiocese of Newark and your local parish to better budget and plan for meeting the needs that will be addressed as a result of this campaign.

Easter Flower Offerings

Wheeler & Liguori Families

by
Rose Wheeler

John Patrick Knodel

by
Elizabeth Knodel

John F. Bradley

by
Patricia Bradley

DeRose & Clinch Families

by
M/M James DeRose

Karen & Glenn Stacy

by
M/M Edward Stacy

Rose De Giralamo

by
M/M Frank Duca

Cathrina Gennaro

by
M/M Jose Gennaro

Albert Clark

by
M/M Walter Heckel

Carpency & Kuba Families

by
M/M Donald Carpency

Jennifer Dalrymple McAvoy

by
M/M Kenneth Dalrymple

Ralph & Mary Della Serra

by
Esther Rinaldo

Anthony J. LaSala, Jr.

by
M/M Mario Profita

Donald Stearns

by
M/M James Kontra

McLaughlin & Quillin Families

by
Veronica Quillin

Haydanek & Billingham Loved Ones

by
M/M Thomas Haydanek

John Roman, Jr.

Laura Russo
by
M/M John Roman

Lorraine Merone

by
M/M Vincent Buonaspina

Pelc & Malaker Families

by
M/M Brian Malaker

Gioachino & Marie Dell'Osso

by
M/M Cliff De Anna

Ernest & Winifred Liguori

by
M/M Manuel Aranjó

Al & Eleanor Klimas

by
M/M John Klimas

Joanne Esemplare Franzoni

by
Pat & Linda Esemplare

John A. Farinella

by
Virginia A. Farinella

John Bieszczak & Family

by
Joan Bieszczak

Simonson & Root Families

by
Mary Root

Matthew V. Powers

by
Genevieve & Mary Ellen Powers

Andrew Dachnowicz

by
Eileen Dachnowicz

John & Olga Konoba

Gary Tomko
by
M/M William Tomko

Jose & Felicitacion

Evangelista
by
Theresa Evangelista

Stella & Henry Meier

by
Gregory Meier

William McKinlay

by
M/M Robert Hilongos

Our Parents

by
M/M Paul Mc Glynn

David Hart

by
Mrs. David Hart, Sr.

Gifts...

M/M Richard Basta
Mary Ann Golomb
M/M Zdzislaw Janiak
M/M Jeffrey Kelly
M/M J Kennedy
M/M Michael Kiesewetter
M/M Charles Kiley
M/M John Kitchell
Diane Mc Murdo
M/M Frank Tanki
Amelia Theodos
M/M Antoon Uyttendaele
M/M Anthony Vignola

Have you and your family been impacted by tough economic times? The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) may be able to help you pay your winter heating bills. Applications will be accepted only until April 30, 2016. For those falling behind on their electric and gas bill who are not eligible for low income programs, moderate income programs; such as the TRUE Grant, PAGE Grant and/or New Jersey SHARES programs, may provide the help you need. For more information, or to find out how to apply, call 1-800-510-3102, visit pseg.com/help or pseg.com/ayuda (Spanish).