

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord + April 9, 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, David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino, Nancy Smith, Louise Stacey and Eve Vitale.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Julie Madden requested by Bill Madden, in loving memory for Francis Landers requested by Mark Farinella and for the loving memory for William Tomko requested by Mark Farinella and for the special intentions for Margarita Recinos de Aguilar requested by the Schlutter Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the loving memory of Julie Madden requested by Bill Madden.

Please Pray for our service member, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla, 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....

Caring for the sacred gift of all human life, from conception to death, is the best way of preventing every type of violence.

Lent is a favorable season for deepening our spiritual life through fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, April 9th

2:00 pm - Widow & Widowers
6:00 pm - Living Stations Rehearsal

Monday, April 10th

7:00 pm - Confessions
8:00 pm - Living Stations Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 11th

7:00 pm - Confessions

Wednesday, April 12th

7:00 pm - Tenebrae Service

Thursday, April 13th

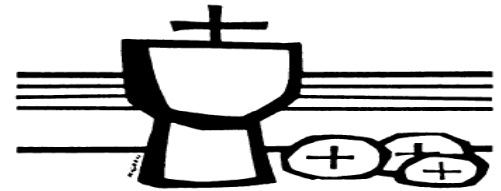
9:00am - Morning Prayer
7:30pm - Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Friday, April 14th

9:00 am - Morning Prayer
3:00 pm - Liturgy of Good Friday
8:00 pm - Living Stations

Saturday, April 15th

9:00 am - Morning Prayer
11:00 am - Blessing of Food
8:00 pm - Easter Vigil



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

If you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain "move from here to there" and it will move.

Matthew 17:20

Don't measure the size of the mountain; talk to the One who can move it. Instead of carrying the world on your shoulders, talk to the One who holds the universe on His. Hope is a look away.

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, 12 midnight
- Monday: 4 am, 11 am, 11pm
- Tuesday: 7 am, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 3 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.



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, April 8th, Vigil, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:00 PM Domenica Paparatto
Req. by the Family

Sunday, April 9th, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Virginia Farinella
Req. by Pat & Linda Esemplare
11:30 AM Eleanor Blaber
Req. by Irene Ciccarino
5:00 PM Francis Landers
Req. by the Zipeto Family

Monday, April 10th

7:30 AM Peter Kuhn
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Charles "Chuck" Orlando
Req. by Craig Anderson & Erin Sisk

Tuesday, April 11th

7:30 AM Richard & Genevieve Carrington
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Evangelina Lamela
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Wednesday, April 12th

7:30 AM Julie Madden
Req. by Bill Madden
8:30 AM John Gilmartin
Req. by Eileen Schrader
7:00 PM Tenebrae Service

Thursday, April 13th, Holy Thursday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer
7:30 PM Deceased Clergy Archdiocese of Newark

Friday, April 14th, Good Friday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer
3:00 PM Liturgy of Good Friday
8:00 PM Living Stations

Saturday, April 15th, Holy Saturday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer
11:00 AM Blessing of Food

Saturday Evening, April 15th, Vigil, Easter Sunday

8:00 PM Paul McGlynn
Req. by Barbara McGlynn

Sunday, April 16th, Easter Sunday

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Jack Graziano
Req. by the Family
11:30 AM Francisco Gennaro
Req. by Ed & Marie Smith

THERE IS NO 5 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13 -- 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 -- 19:42

Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 -- 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 -- 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;

d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

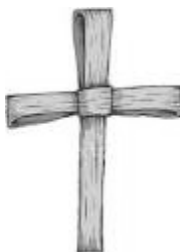
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 -- 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

The Youth Group will be selling Palm Crosses this Sunday. Proceeds will benefit the young people. Just like last year, Palm Crosses are \$10 each, and will be available at both the front and rear entrances to the church after every Mass. Palm Crosses are a great way to remember a loved one.



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

On Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord we make our way into Holy Week. We read the gospel about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, Paul's invitation to us to imitate Jesus who emptied himself, and the whole Passion, this year from Matthew's Gospel.

The next three days - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week - are the final days of Lent. The first readings are from the Suffering Servant Songs of Isaiah. Though originally sung about Israel, God's servant, and perhaps a specific servant, they clearly spoke to the early Christian community about Jesus and his mission.

Monday and Tuesday's gospels are from John's Gospel. The anointing at Bethany - at the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus - has taken place at a wonderful celebration of Lazarus' return to life and a fine thanksgiving to Jesus. Mary anoints Jesus' feet with the precious oil that reminds us of his burial. Then, at the Last Supper (skipping over the reading we will use on Holy Thursday about the washing of feet) Jesus identifies his betrayer. Finally, Jesus talks with Peter who professes his loyalty to Jesus who predicts Peter would deny him three times later that night.

Wednesday's Gospel is the story of Judas' betrayal of Jesus, from Matthew's perspective. We can feel the tension and pressure Jesus is under. There is a sadness at hearing the arrangement Judas makes - 30 pieces of silver - to deliver Jesus into the hands of his enemies.

The stage is now set for the Triduum - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

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.

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be NO bagel social after the 9:30 am Mass on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

CHAPEL CLOSING AND REOPENING

Due to the Paschal Triduum the Chapel will be closed after the 8:30am Mass on Wednesday of Holy Week. The Chapel will reopen for adoration after the 8:30am Mass on Monday of Easter Week

**CELEBRATION OF PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
Message of POPE FRANCIS**

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” (cf. Lk 19:38), the crowd of Jerusalem exclaimed joyfully as they welcomed Jesus. We have made that enthusiasm our own: by waving our olive and palm branches we have expressed our praise and our joy, our desire to receive Jesus who comes to us. Today’s liturgy teaches us that the Lord has not saved us by his triumphal entry or by means of powerful miracles. The Apostle Paul, in the second reading, epitomizes in two verbs the path of redemption: Jesus “emptied” and “humbled” himself (Phil 2:7-8). These two verbs show the boundlessness of God’s love for us.

The humiliation of Jesus reaches its utmost in the Passion: he is sold for thirty pieces of silver and betrayed by the kiss of a disciple whom he had chosen and called his friend. Nearly all the others flee and abandon him; Peter denies him three times in the courtyard of the temple. Humiliated in his spirit by mockery, insults and spitting, he suffers in his body terrible brutality: the blows, the scourging and the crown of thorns make his face unrecognizable. He also experiences shame and disgraceful condemnation by religious and political authorities.

And so the hour of death on the cross arrives, that most painful form of shame reserved for traitors, slaves and the worst kind of criminals. But isolation, defamation and pain are not yet the full extent of his deprivation. Hanging from the wood of the cross, beside derision he now confronts the last temptation: to come down from the Cross, to conquer evil by might and to show the face of a powerful and invincible God. Jesus, however, even here at the height of his annihilation, reveals the true face of God, which is mercy. He forgives those who are crucifying him, he opens the gates of paradise to the repentant thief and he touches the heart of the centurion.

I invite you during this week to learn about the humble love which saves and gives life, so that we may give up all selfishness, and the seeking of power and fame. By humbling himself, Jesus invites us to walk on his path. Let us turn our faces to him, let us ask for the grace to understand at least something of the mystery of his obliteration for our sake; and then, in silence, let us contemplate the mystery of this Week.

Next Sunday, the Church celebrates, with joy, the rising of Christ from the dead. We ask all of our parishioners to prayerfully reflect on what they will offer to Our Lady of Lourdes as their Easter gift. We rely on both the Christmas and Easter collections to help us to meet the expenses connected with the running of the parish.



Please consider how you will offer a portion of your treasure so that we can continue our mission.

Please note the following changes in schedules because of the Upcoming Triduum and Easter Week:



The **Parish Office** will close at 5 pm on Holy Thursday, April 13th and remain closed until Monday morning, April 17th, at 9 am. Please plan accordingly.....

In the event of an emergency, one of the priests can be reached by calling the Parish Office at 908-232-1162, Ext. 40 and follow the prompts.

The **Adoration Chapel** will close on Wednesday evening at 8 pm, and reopen after the 7:30 am Mass on Monday, April 17th.

Daily masses will follow the normal schedule.



Brothers in Christ, The Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, will have a special Saturday meeting on April 22nd following the 8 am Mass 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.

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2017

Palm Sunday, April 9

Saturday Evening 5:00 pm
 Sunday, 7:30 am, 9:30 am 11:30 am
 and 5:00 pm

Confessions

Monday of Holy Week, April 10, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
 Tuesday of Holy Week, April 11, 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Wednesday, April 12

Tenebrae Service, 7pm

Holy Thursday, April 13

Morning Prayer 9:00 am
 Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 pm
Church will remain open until 10pm

Good Friday, April 14

Morning Prayer 9:00 am
 Liturgy of Good Friday 3:00 pm
 (including the Passion, Veneration of the Cross
 and Holy Communion)
 The Living Stations 8:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 15

Morning Prayer 9:00 am
 Blessing of Food 11:00 am
 The Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 16

7:30 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am
 Easter Egg Hunt follows the 9:30 am Mass
 (weather permitting)

There is NO 5:00 pm Mass on Easter Sunday

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK LENTEN REGULATIONS 2017

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole is a serious obligation.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, March 5, 2017 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 11, 2017.

*Canon 920, 1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

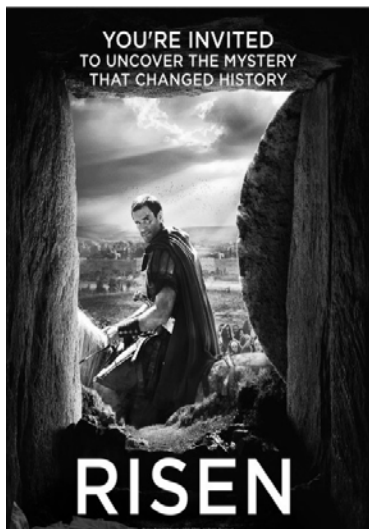


Circle of Compassion

The Circle of Compassion is appealing on behalf of the communities of St. Joseph's in Elizabeth and St. Rocco's in Newark. Father Josephat and Sister Jacinta have asked us to respond, once again, this Easter Holiday as the demands within their respective communities for a simple holiday meal continue to grow.

We can accept either food donations or financial contributions. Please place any financial contributions in an envelope clearly marked for *Circle of Compassion*.

On behalf of the families at St Joseph's and St. Rocco's we are most thankful for your continued support. God bless you!



The Brothers In Christ Men’s Group Presents

RISEN

April 17, 2017 @ 7:30PM

Pollard Hall

Risen is the epic Biblical story of the Resurrection, as told through the eyes of a non-believer. Clavius (Joseph Fiennes), a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide, Lucius (Tom Felton), are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus in the weeks following the crucifixion, in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem.

Rating: PG-13

(for Biblical violence including some disturbing images)

Genre: Action & Adventure, Drama

Runtime: 107 minutes

Focus on Faith Formation



7th and 8th graders participating in the Living Stations of the Cross: the next rehearsal is this Sunday, April 9th from 6 pm - 8 pm. There is also a rehearsal this Monday, April 10th at 8 pm.

There will be no Faith Formation classes this Tuesday and Wednesday, April 11th and 12th due to spring break. 1st grade parents: please remember that Prayer Day for our 1st graders will be Tuesday and Wednesday, April 18th and 19th.

All families are invited to the 7th and 8th grade presentation of the Living Stations of the Cross this coming Friday, Good Friday, at 8 pm in the Church.

Children’s Prayer for Palm Sunday: Dear God, as we celebrate on this Palm Sunday help us to remember that day when all the adults and children waved palm branches and cheered as Jesus entered Jerusalem as King. We know Jesus rose from the dead and is alive. Help us to remember that he is our wonderful King and that we can praise him everyday! In Jesus’ name – Amen.

St. Joseph Social Service Center will hold a special fundraiser event, "A One Night Jazz Festival" on April 29th in the auditorium of Union Catholic High School. Tickets: \$25. For information, visit the St. Joseph website: sjeliz.org.



The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

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!

It is time to begin to prepare for the annual April 15th ritual. Anyone wishing a statement of contributions for tax purposes is asked to contact the Parish Office.

