

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Third Sunday of Easter - April 18, 2021

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
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 :
 Erich Westermann, Douglas Redden & John A. Storch may they rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick : Valerie Santiago, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Martha Pares, James Leung, Fred Perna, Joseph Iacono, Frances Kayton, Manny Teixeira, Judy Burns, Logan Alseika, Edward Stacy, Joe Raughbaugh, Jim Looram, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, Peter Spadaccini, Romaine Malaker, Antonetta Ferrara, Helen Ahlquist, Michael Servello, Ramona Fernandez, & Conner LaVile .

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of the deceased parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please Pray for our service member,
 Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and AZ2 Stephen Vesper USN and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

Even if you are not scheduled to serve Mass, we ask that you please check the Sunday Sacristy 10 minutes prior to Mass to see if you are needed.

ATTENTION LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

You have already been assigned, please check the schedule.
THE PRIESTS ASK THATAll lectors, altar servers, & extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion please report to the Sunday Sacristy at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled Mass. This will allow the priest celebrant to know what type of help he has or does not have before the scheduled mass.



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

ATTENTION GIFT BEARERS

Due to temporary regulations from the Chancery there will be no presentation of the gifts at the offertory of the Mass for the time being.

Does the Parish have your current email? Occasionally we reach out to parishioners in this manner especially during this period of social distancing.

Please let us know the best way to reach you!

Email: lcandela@ollmountainside.org
Text or call: 908-391-3737



Saturday, 5:00 PM	April 17th John Graziano Req. by The Family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	April 18th, Third Sunday of Easter People of the Parish
9:30 AM	John & Lucy Cangro Req. by Linda Fedey
11:30 AM	Patricia & George Shaneen Req. by Karen Shaneen
Monday, 7:30 AM	April 19th Mario Lovow Req. by Karen Shaneen
8:30 AM	Frank Aguano Req. by Karen Shaneen
Tuesday, 7:30 AM	April 20th Mary & Louis Pittner Req. by Karen Shaneen
8:30 AM	Grace & Frank Tirrito Req. by Karen Shaneen
Wednesday, 7:30 AM	April 21st, St. Anselm Daniel Benjamin Reilly Req. by Maureen & Terry Reilly
8:30 AM	Ellen Tait Req. by Karen Shaneen
Thursday, 7:30 AM	April 22nd Gary Neuroth Req. by Karen Shaneen
8:30 AM	Ben Mirto Req. by The Family
Friday, 7:30 AM	April 23rd, St. George & St. Adalbert Kenneth Genoni Req. by Karen Shaneen
8:30 AM	Maureen Honore Req. by Liz Kelly
Saturday, 8:00 AM	April 24th, St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen Paul Mc Glynn Req. by Barbara Mc Glynn
5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 7:30 AM	April 25th, Fourth Sunday of Easter Gaspar & Teixeira Families Req. by the Family
9:30 AM	Louis Ahlquist & Walter Pagowski Req. by Helen & Candy Ahlquist
11:30 AM	Matthew John Burvett, Jr. Req. by the Burvett Family

MASS BOOK 2021

The Mass Book for the year 2021 is now open. The Mass Book will be open for Masses only from January 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021.

Everyone is welcome! Please contact our Parish Office to register with us.

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a,17,21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

A few tweets from Pope Francis...

The Holy Spirit writes the history of the Church and of the world. We are open books, willing to receive his handwriting. And in each of us the Spirit composes original works, because there is never one Christian who is completely identical to another.

If God so loves us that he gives himself to us, the Church too has this mission. She is not sent to judge but to welcome; not to impose, but to sow; not to condemn, but to bring Christ who is our salvation.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Begin the year with gratitude. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus. Gratitude is the key to change. When facing a situation that seems confusing or upsetting thank God for His understanding. Praise Him for His wisdom and guidance. Heavenly Father, I can endure any situation because I know You are working on my behalf. I'm safe in Your hands.

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULED HOURS

Monday thru Friday 9 am
(following the 8:30 am Mass) to 9 pm.

Saturday, 8:30 am
(following the 8 am Mass) to 4 pm.

Sunday No Adoration.

Adoration Chapel Candles

Intentions to be rescheduled when the church opens for temporary adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
Now accepting intentions.

Newark priest exists to help encourage Christians to participate in the active discernment of their specific calling to love others. Whether you are discerning a call to the priesthood or trying to help someone else discern their call, we are here for you. www.newarkpriest.com

Third Week of Easter

On the **Third Sunday of Easter**, Luke's Gospel has the very human story of Jesus' appearing to the disciples after the Resurrection, inviting them to touch his hands and feet to see that he is real. He ate with them and "he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures."

In our first readings from **Acts of the Apostles** this week, we read of one of the earliest martyrs, Stephen and of Philip converting an Ethiopian slave along the road.

Also this week is the story of Saul, persecutor of Christians being blinded and then healed by Ananias in the name of Jesus.

The week ends with Peter traveling the region and healing.

The gospel for this week is from Chapter 6 of **John's Gospel** on Jesus as the "**Bread of Life**."

Like so many stories in this gospel, Jesus teaches from one layer of understanding to another, taking us deeper into understanding his gift of himself to us in the Eucharist.

Jesus says, "Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life." "The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world."

"Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood remains in me and I in him."

This marvelous dialogue ends with this exchange with his disciples: "**Jesus then said to the Twelve**,

'Do you also want to leave?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.'"

For the **Fourth Sunday of Easter** we reflect on the Paschal Mystery more deeply.

Psalm 118 says, "The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

Peter quotes this psalm in preaching that the crippled man was healed,

"in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead."

In **John's Gospel**, Jesus tells us, "A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

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.

The Anointing of the Sick is not a Sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him (her) to receive this Sacrament has certainly arrived.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION**2021-2022 School Year Registration
is now open!**

Please go to ollfaithformation.org, click on the registration tab; then print out the volunteer, emergency, and registration forms.

Fill forms out completely; place in an envelope marked "Faith Formation" along with payment; & drop it off at the rectory.

The registration due date is May 14.

2021-2022 Faith Formation Program Details**Grades 1-6 Hybrid Classroom Model**

Students will attend an in-person class one time per month (Tuesday or Wednesday) from 4:00 PM-5:15 PM ; then complete online assignments for rest of the month.

If COVID conditions improve, we will move to all in-person classes with no online assignments.

Grades 1-6 Family Faith

Parents will teach children the monthly lessons at home with the assistance of online resources.

Students will also attend one half hour Zoom session for **7 months on Sundays after the 11:30 AM Mass** (times will be assigned by grade)

Families will attend 2 family retreats during Advent and Lent from 12:30 PM-3:00 PM on assigned Sundays

Grades 7-8

Students will complete monthly assignments and community service & attend one in-person class per month (Tuesdays from 7:00 PM-8:15 PM)

If COVID conditions improve we will adjust in-person attendance accordingly.

Grade 9 Immediate Confirmation Prep

Students will meet one time per month for an in-person session

(Sundays starting at the 11:30 AM Mass until 2:00 PM) along with community service assignments.

April Zoom Classes

Tuesday, April 20:

Grade 7 @ 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 21:

Grade 4 @ 4:00 PM

Grade 6 @ 4:45 PM

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!

FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION**8th GRADE CONFIRMATION INTERVIEWS**

The interviews will take place via Zoom
Monday, April 19 beginning @ 6:00 PM
Tuesday, April 20 beginning @ 7:45 PM

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Sunday, April 25 at 12 noon via Zoom

**1st EUCHARIST PREP / GRADE 2
CONFESSION- PRAYERS & MINI-LESSON**

Saturday, April 24 @ 12:30 PM for 5/1
9:30 Mass children & 1:00 PM for 5/1
11:30 Mass children

Saturday, May 1 @ 1:00 PM for 5/8 children

**1st EUCHARIST PREP / GRADE 2
COMMUNION REHEARSALS**

Monday, April 26 @ 7:00 PM for 5/1 children
Monday, May 3 @ 7:00 PM for 5/8 children

1st COMMUNION DATES

Saturday, May 1st @ 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses
Saturday, May 8 @ 9:30 AM Mass

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL

Wednesday, April 28 @ 7:00 PM
4/30 Confirmation candidates

Wednesday, May 19 @ 7:00 PM
5/21 Confirmation candidates

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION

Friday, April 30 @ 7:00 PM

Friday, May 21 @ 7:00 PM



April 11th = \$ 5128.00
Additional Easter Funds = \$ 1265.00

**SECOND COLLECTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL**

April 25th : Repair Fund



It is time to begin to prepare for the annual April 15th ritual, now revised to May 17th. Anyone wishing a statement of contributions for tax purposes is asked to contact the Parish Office.

Your statement can be mailed or emailed to you.

PLEASE NOTE: We can issue statements only for those who have used the Parish Envelopes. Those who contribute to Faith Direct will receive a statement directly from them.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is returning in virtual form. Each week, beginning on the feast of Christ the King and running through the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, which is Father's Day, a homily geared towards the children of the parish will appear in the on-line edition of the parish Bulletin.

Go to www.ollmountainside.org and you will find the homily on the home page. The children can read these homilies each week, or the parents can read them to their children to help them better understand the weekly scripture readings, which are such a strong part of the formation of their faith.

2021 Annual Archdiocesan Appeal

The 2021 Annual Appeal will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins. Now more than ever, especially during this health crisis, our ministries and programs need your support.

Our parish goal is \$52,682.00

Your gift to the 2021 Annual Appeal supports essential programs and ministries including:

**Office of Evangelization * International Missions
Pastoral Ministry with the Deaf**

The Parish Priest wish to thank all parishioners who have contributed to the Annual Archdiocesan Appeal. As of April 9, 2021, we are still short in reaching our goal.

Please note that the Archdiocese of Newark applied incorrectly a gift of \$12,500 to our Parish, which was actually intended for a different parish. For this reason, you will see the new figures below which reflect the actual present amounts.

Monies received to date: \$46,303.00

Donors Have Pledged : \$52,333.00

*OUR LADY OF LOURDES
THANKS ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY.*

BROTHERS IN CHRIST

**THE MEN'S GROUP OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WILL
HAVE A MEETING ON APRIL 19, 2021 AT 7:00 PM.**

SCRIPTURE, CATHOLIC ISSUES AND WAYS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY WILL BE DISCUSSED. LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED. NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO JOIN THIS CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP. WEATHER PERMITTING: WE WILL HOLD THE MEETING OUTSIDE IN THE PARKING LOT.

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 Church.

On behalf of Father Joseph at and the many families in Newark that are sustained by your generosity, we ask God's continued blessing for our parish.

May God Bless You!

The Circle of Compassion

Mike Billy, Elizabeth Kelly, Norma Weinstein,
Mark Margello, Bob Miraglia and Gerry Gallagher,
Glen Rosivak and Barbara Plucienik

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.

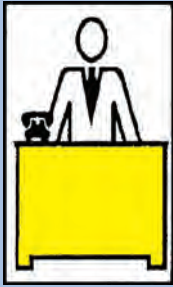
ARE YOU REGISTERED ?

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.

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