

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Sixth Sunday of Easter + May 6, 2018

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 remember in your prayers the soul of
Joaquim Teixeira. May he rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Louise Stacey, Jack Schuvert, Luke Granger, Martha Pares, Irene Ciccarino, James Leung, Joseph Iacono and Fr. Carl Arico.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the loving memory of Elizabeth Knodel requested by Marie Hine, for the loving memory of Marge Dabrowski requested by Phyllis Puzio.

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

Please Pray for our service member, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and P.O. 3rd Class Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino's grandson) and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

Parish Calendar

Monday, May 7th

1:00 pm - Rosary Altar Society Meeting
May Crowning

7:00 pm - First Communion Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 9th

7:30 pm - Youth Group

Saturday, May 12th

8:45 am - Gathering of Women

10:30 am - First Communion

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!

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

Be one with Christ when you pray, take care of your most vulnerable brothers and sisters, and work for peace.

The Lord Jesus communicates His love for us, so that we can love God and our neighbor as He has loved us, by giving his life for us..

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 any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally... and it will be given to Him.

James 1:4

God is not only wise, He is the ground of wisdom. He is not only beautiful. He is the source and standard of all beauty. He is not merely good. He is the norm of all goodness. He is the source, the ground, the norm, the fountainhead of all love.

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!

One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!

- Sunday: 4 am, 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 1 pm, 6 pm, 12 midnight
- Monday: 4 am
- Tuesday: 7 am, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 2 am, 6 pm
- Thursday: 3 pm, 4 pm
- Friday: 4 am, 12 noon, 2 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 10 pm,
- Saturday: 9 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm, 12 midnight

...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.



Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday Evening, May 5th, Vigil, Sixth Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM Nellie O'Shea
Req. by Bill O'Shea

Sunday, May 6th, Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Kathleen Ruggeri
Req. by Carol & Carmine Venes
11:30 AM Gaspar & Teixeira Families
Req. by the Family
5:00 PM David Tidaback
Req. by Diane Tidaback

Monday, May 7th

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Robert McCormack
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Tuesday, May 8th

7:30 AM Jesus Perez-Santalla
Req. by Miguel & Debbie Perez-Santalla
8:30 AM Nancy & Joseph Wozniak
Req. by Mary Jane & Jack Ford

Wednesday, May 9th

7:30 AM Pat Knodel
Req. by Carmen Santiago
8:30 AM Joseph Scaglia
Req. by Rev. Richard Carrington
7:30 PM Roseanne Giordano
Req. by Eve Vitale

Thursday, May 10th, The Ascension of the Lord

7:30 AM Special Intention for Judith McSharry
Req. by Peter McSharry
7:30 PM Stephen Grady
Req. by Jack and Mary Ford

Friday, May 11th

7:30 AM Pat Knodel
Req. by Diane Tidaback
8:30 AM Hilda A. Cuff
Req. by the Family

Saturday, May 12th

8:00 AM Gus Colendenski
Req. by the Family

Saturday Evening, May 12th, Vigil, Ascension of the Lord

5:00 PM Mother's Day Novena of Masses

Sunday, May 13th, Ascension of the Lord

7:30 AM Mother's Day Novena of Masses
9:30 AM Mother's Day Novena of Masses
11:30 AM Mother's Day Novena of Masses
5:00 PM Mother's Day Novena of Masses

Sixth Week of Easter

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 -- 16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 -- 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or
Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for
Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8;
Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10;
Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2,
11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or,
for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;
Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13];
Mk 16:15-20

On the Sixth Sunday of Easter, we hear the powerful words that Jesus uses to send us on our mission: "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain."

On Thursday, around the world and in all but a few parts of the United States, it is the Ascension of the Lord. For those who don't celebrate it Thursday, the Ascension will be on Sunday.

The Ascension readings give us the stories of the Jesus' being taken up to heaven from the beginning of Acts of the Apostles. Another version is heard through the last chapter of Mark's Gospel.

Our Easter season readings from Acts of the Apostles continue this week. We read of Paul and Silas in jail, and the conversion and baptism of the jailer and his family; Paul's bold speech to the crowd at the Areopagus and his fearless preaching in Corinth, despite the growing threat from the Jews.

In John's Gospel, we realize we are approaching Pentecost in a few weeks as Jesus begins to speak of his leaving the earth and of the coming of the "Advocate" - the Spirit of Truth. The image of the Trinity is clear: "when the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father...." To his disciples, the idea of his leaving fills their hearts with grief but Jesus reassures them, "it is better for you that I go" so that the Spirit can come to them. The Spirit "will guide you to all truth." "So you also are now in anguish. But I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you." Jesus encourages them to pray: "whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you."

Collections

April 29th

\$5,628

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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD Holy Day of Obligation

Masses will be celebrated:

Wednesday, May 9, 7:30 pm

Thursday, May 10, 7:30 am & 7:30 pm

THE 2018 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN.

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



**CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Our parish offers prayerful congratulations to the following boys and girls who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 7th at the 10:30 am Mass. We thank our Faith Formation Director Mrs. Fran Michetti, her assistant Mrs. Cindy DiPietro and the teachers who prepared the children to receive this Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

May 7, 2015

Carl Aberle
Christopher Castillo
Dylan Cisko
Lori Anne Co
Gregory Dardanella
Michael Donahue

Mia Francolino
Alessandro Laurenza
Vincenzo Luaces
Lincoln McLaughlin
Aubrey Miller
Carmela Occhipinti

Riley Quisumbing
Charlotte Schaeffer
Lucas Steitz
James Vella
Bridget Whelan

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CATECHISTS AND AIDES

Michelle Blum
Kristine Cisko
Kate Francolino
Marisa Keenan
Pam Kisciras

Karen Lopes
Rachel Pater
Brittney Steitz
Anthony Vella
James Whelan
Fatima Wilches

Congratulations to those Confirmed

Friday, May 4th at a special 7 pm Mass, His Excellency Bishop David Arias, retired Auxiliary Bishop of this Archdiocese administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to 25 young teenagers into the Catholic Church. Please keep these newly confirmed in your prayers. May they always be open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and be faithful witnesses to Jesus Christ, His Gospel and His Catholic Church. We thank Mr. Kevin Donahue who prepared our teenagers to receive this Sacrament.

Briant Bazydlo
Coady Brown
Joseph Cioffi
Daniel D'Angelo
Arianna DaSilva
Holly Dorsett
Suzannah Eilbacher-Greene
Julianna Gioia

Emily Grossi
Patrick Herrighty
Matthew Kazanecki
Katherine Londino
Joseph Marchese
Amanda McIntyre
Alexandra Miskewitz
Matthew Murowski

Gianna Queli
Jayson Schmidt
Claudia Schneider
Peter Skinner
Kathryn Tavares
Jacob Tomas
Sabastian Ubillus
Fiona Uray
Olivia Wass



Focus on Faith Formation



Congratulations to our first group of 2nd graders who made the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist on Saturday, May 5th. The children did a beautiful job!

Our second group of 2nd graders will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist on May 12th, so please continue praying for them. Parents, the mandatory rehearsal is Monday, May 7th at 7 pm in the Church.

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is underway. Please go to our website, ollfaithformation.org, click on the registration tab, and print out the forms. *Please be sure to sign and turn in the emergency form.* All registrations will be due May 18th. There will be a \$50 fee imposed on all late registrations.

Volunteers, please let us know your choices for next year as soon as you can. We truly appreciate all you do for our program!

If you have a child entering 1st grade in September, it is time to register for Faith Formation. Sacrament preparation for First Holy Communion is a two year process that begins in 1st grade. Please contact the Faith Formation office at reled@ollmountainside.org or 908-233-1777 for more information. We look forward to working with you and your child!

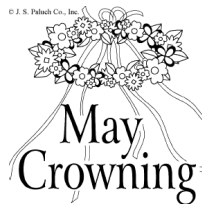
Saturday, May 12th



8:45 am - 9:00 am - Gathering

9:00 am - 10:00 am - Prayer, Reflection and Sharing

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY
MAY CROWNING OF OUR
BLESSED VIRGIN MOTHER**



MAY 7, 2018

1:00 PM - ROSARY IN CHURCH
1:30 PM - CROWNING

The pre-school children from Holy Trinity Mountainside Campus, will join the Rosary Altar Society in crowning the Blessed Virgin this Monday.

FOLLOWING THE CROWNING OF OUR LADY,
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



Holy Trinity School News

Congratulations to 4th Graders Sonia Allen and Thomas Fecowycz for winning an Achievement Award in the 2018 “My County” poster contest. Both were honored at a reception on April 19th at the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

Mrs. Hazard’s PreK-4 class is learning about fairytales. The students are listening to, retelling and acting out fairytales such as; 3 Little Pigs’, Jack and the Beanstalk and Cinderella. In the dramatic play area the students have made the 3 little pigs homes and in the science center the students planted beans in hopes of growing a stalk as high as the sky.

The second graders are practicing the Latin, Regina Caeli, for the May Crowning and the National Anthem for their performance to open the Patriots game in May. They are also creating, drawing and writing a descriptive paragraph about an imaginary friend.

The Science Tellers will be visiting the HTS Mountain-side Campus for an interactive program for the students and their families. Please join us for our “Pirate Adventure”. This program is perfect for all preschoolers. RSVP to (908) 233-1899 or htismc@comast.net.

Holy Trinity’s Cub Scout Pack 73 hosted the K-9 Unit of the Union County Sheriff’s Office for grades K through 5 learning how the dogs protect us. Parents and friends were also welcome.

On your **Facebook** page, search for our new page: **“Holy Trinity School Early Education Center”**
Join us, Like us, Follow us and Share us!!!
Follow us on Instagram at [htschoolmountainside](https://www.instagram.com/htschoolmountainside).

For more information about our full day kindergarten and preschool program, please contact the Mountain-side Campus at (908) 233-1899. Tours are always available. For information about grades K through 8 at the Westfield Campus, please call (908) 233-0484

**Sharing God’s Blessings
Annual Appeal**

Thanks to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2018 Sharing God’s Blessings Annual Appeal. Our Lady of Lourdes is 43.02% towards our goal of \$43,434.00. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the vestibule. Please help support the many programs and ministries that assist so many in our community.



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

Tend My Sheep Ministry

As many of you know, the property that holds the rectory and the school for Church of the Little Flower in Berkeley Heights has been sold. Since we are no longer able to use this facility as our hosting site, we have offered our services to Family Promise on an as-needed basis and they need our help on Thursday, June 7, 2018, at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, located at 419 South Street, New Providence, NJ 07974.

Food and other nonperishable items will continue to be dropped off at Pollard Hall from 3-4:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 7, 2018. However, beginning in April 2018 our sign-up sheet changed to signup genius. The link is:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054eaba722a1fb6-ollfood1>

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

Please clip and donate Box Tops Labels to help support Holy Trinity School.

Collection boxes are located in the Church lobby. Thank You!



The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark invites all parents who have suffered the loss of a child to attend ‘*A Day of Comfort and Hope*’ on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ. This full-day retreat affords bereaved parents the opportunity to join together in a caring, spiritual setting for prayer, meditation, discussion, presentations, fellowship and Holy Mass. Pre-registration is required by May 29th as space is limited. For information, please contact Lauren Egan at 973-497-4327 or Lauren.Egan@rcan.org.

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Ascension Thursday, May 10th

Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday, May 12th

10:30 am, First Holy Communion

Mother’s Day, May 13th

POPPY SALE THIS WEEKEND!



Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be at the doors of the Church this weekend to ask for your support. Proceeds from the Poppy sale help support the work of the VFW for veterans with special needs, as well as those returning from Iraq & Afghanistan and other parts of the world. Please be generous!

Special Collection next weekend May 12 - 13

The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) is a marvelous way to share the gospel message of God’s mercy and love. Pope Francis asked us last year, “to offer the people of our time storylines that are, at heart, ‘good news.’” By supporting this collection, you help to spread the Good News to people around the country and around the world. Your gift also makes a local impact because half of your donation stays in your diocese to support location communications projects.

Mother’s Day Novena of Masses

Sunday, May 13th is Mother’s Day. What better way to honor our Mothers, Grandmothers and Godmothers living and deceased than to pray for them at Holy Mass. Beginning at the Saturday, May 12th evening Mass the Parish shall offer nine masses for our dear one’s, living and deceased. Remember the words of St. Monica to her Son, St. Augustine: “I care not where you lay this body of mine, only remember me at the altar of the Lord”. Novena envelopes are on the entrance table in the Church Vestibule or speak to one of the parish ushers to obtain one.