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Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 9, 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 :
Kathleen O'Neill may she 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 & Janice Machin.

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 Benjamin Coffey req. by The Vietro & D'Aprano Families

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.



Saturday, 5:00 PM	May 8th Mother's Day Novena of Masses
Sunday, 7:30 AM	May 9th, Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day Novena of Masses
9:30 AM	Mother's Day
11:30 AM	Mother's Day
Monday, 7:30 AM	May 10th, Saint Damien de Veuster Mother's Day
8:30 AM	Mother's Day
Tuesday, 7:30 AM	May 11th Mother's Day
8:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena of Masses
Wednesday, 7:30 AM	May 12th, St.Nereus ,Achillieus & St.Pancras NO INTENTION
8:30 AM	NO INTENTION
Thursday, 7:30 AM	May 13th Hilda A. Cuff Req. by Borvette Family Paul McGlynn Req. by Barbara McGlynn
8:30 AM	
Friday, 7:30 AM	May 14th, Saint Matthias Robert Wyckoff Req. by Joyce
8:30 AM	Deceased Members of Brady & Ford Families Req. by Mary & Jack Ford
Saturday, 8:00 AM	May 15th Richard Heckel Req. by The Minks Family
5:00 PM	William & Gladys Olsen Req. by The Sforza Family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	May 16th, The Ascension of the Lord People of the Parish
9:30 AM	Barbara Coffey Req. by Vietro & D'Aprano Families
11:30 AM	Rudolph Flora Req. by Karen Shaneen

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

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.

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 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
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

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex
A few tweets from Pope Francis...

Only the love of Jesus can transform our life, heal our deepest hurts and set us free from the vicious circles of disappointment, anger and constant complaint.

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Mercy is made tangible, it becomes closeness, service, care for those in difficulty. I hope you will always feel you have been granted mercy, so as to be merciful to others in turn.



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.

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Sixth Week of Easter

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 accounts 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."

The **Seventh Sunday of Easter** shows the Spirit at work in the **Acts of the Apostles** as a large group of disciples prays for guidance as they choose an apostle to replace Judas.

In **John's Gospel** Jesus offers a moving prayer for those he loves asking the Father to **"keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one."** In some parts of the U.S. this Sunday will be a celebration of the **Ascension**.

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.

FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL

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

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION

Friday, May 21 @ 7:00 PM



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 30 2021, we reached our goal.

Monies received to date: **\$ 51,643.00**

Donors Have Pledged : **\$60,758.00**

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

**THANKS ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY.**



May 2nd = **\$5103.00**
Repair Fund= **\$1366.00**



SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

**May 9th : Repair Fund
May 16th: Catholic Home Missions**

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!



Fr. Richard Carrington
June 6th
after the 11:30am Mass

Please join us in saying farewell to our beloved Pastor Fr. Richard Carrington on Sunday June 6th after the 11:30 am Mass.

Please RSVP with the number of people from your family attending to Michael Billy at bmichael103@aol.com, as we'll need an accurate headcount for the food and drinks. After receiving your RSVP, you will receive a link to our helper sign up page in case you would like to assist or contribute to the party.

CLERGY ANNIVERSARIES

May & June we celebrate
Priestly and Diaconal Ordinations.
Please keep us in your prayers.

- Fr. Richard Carrington, May 29th 45 years
- Fr. William Benedetto, May 26th 14 years
- Deacon Michael DeRoberts, June 1st 19 years

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!

CHANGE IN HOLY DAY

Cardinal Tobin for this year only has transferred the **Feast of The Ascension of the Lord**

from Thursday May 13th to Sunday May 16th. Consequently there are Mass changes: Their will be no evening Mass on May 12th, rather it will be celebrated at 8:30 AM in the morning. The evening Mass for May 13th will also be celebrated at 8:30 AM in the morning.

Mother's Day Novena of Masses

Sunday, May 9th is Mother's Day. What better way to honor our Mothers, Grandmothers and Godmothers living & deceased than to pray for them at Holy Mass. Beginning at the Saturday, May 8th evening Mass the Parish shall offer nine masses for our dear one's, living & deceased. Novena envelopes are on the entrance table in the Church Vestibule.

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". .

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.

Mothers Day Message

On this Mother's Day 2021, the Parish Priests along with Deacon Mike offer Holy Mass for our living and deceased Mothers, Godmothers and Grandmother.

We commend them all to the intercession and protection of the Holy Mother of God Mary Immaculate under her title of Our Lady of Lourdes. May all of us imitate Mary's example of saying 'YES' to God in all things and follow the advise she gave at the wedding of Cana: **'Do whatever He tells you'**

Yours Truly
Fr. Richard, Pastor



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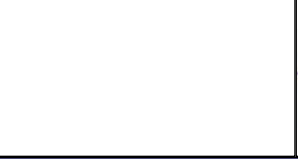
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