

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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The Ascension of the Lord - May 16, 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 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 Loram, 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, May 15th**
5:00 PM William & Gladys Olsen
Req. by The Sforza Familiy
- Sunday, May 16th, The Ascension of the Lord**
7:30 AM People of the Parish
- 9:30 AM Barbara Coffey
Req. by Vietro & D'Aprano Families
- 11:30 AM Rudolph Flora
Req. by Karen Shaneen
- Monday, May 17th**
7:30 AM Daniel Benjamin Reilly
Req. by Maureen & Terry Reilly
- 8:30 AM Deceased Members of
William Mulholland Families
Req. by Veronica Quillin
- Tuesday, May 18th, Saint John**
7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard
Req. by The Family
- 8:30 AM Joseph Quillin
Req. by Veronica Quillin
- Wednesday, May 19th**
7:30 AM Joanna Carpency
Req. by Pam Kisciras & Family
- 8:30 AM Deceased Members of Brady & Ford Families
Req. by Mary & Jack Ford
- Thursday, May 20th, Saint Bernardine of Siena**
7:30 AM Paul Nickoloff
Req. by The Kontra Family
- 8:30 AM Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Fradella
Req. by Veronica Quillin
- Friday, May 21st, Saint Christopher**
7:30 AM Douglas Redden
Req. by Evelyn & Walter Heckel
- 8:30 AM Gabriel McLaughlin
Req. by Veronica Quillin
- Saturday, May 22nd**
8:00 AM James Haughey, Jr.
Req. by Nancy Haughey
- 5:00 PM Robert Mc Cormack
Req. by Karen Shaneen
- Sunday, May 23rd, Pentecost Sunday**
7:30 AM People of the Parish
- 9:30 AM Gaspar & Teixeira Families
Req. by The Family
- 11:30 AM Bertha & Robert Wacke
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 May 2021 to August 31, 2021.



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.

OLL'S ADORATION CHAPEL REOPENS TUES., JUNE 1, 2021 !

Adoration will be relocated from the Main Church to the Chapel on that date.

While we hope to build back to Perpetual Adoration in the future, for the time being our Adoration schedule remains:

Mon. thru Fri.—9am to 9pm; Sat.—8:30am to 4pm;

Sun.—NO ADORATION

Below are our Covid-related Chapel Guidelines

- Masks must be worn before entering the building until after leaving it.
- Chapel occupancy is limited to no more than 4 people at any one time, with 4 prayer places spaced according to correct social distancing.
- Chapel door will be locked at all times. Door code will be given to adorers.
- No sign-in book will be used.
- Hand sanitizers and wipes will be available for adorers' use. Each adorer will be asked to wipe her/his seating location before leaving the Chapel.
- The Chapel windows will be cracked open to allow fresh air to enter the room.
- No books/devotional items are in the Chapel, but adorers may bring their own and then take them back home.
- **Please do not leave Mass cards, greeting cards, rosaries, pamphlets or any other materials in the Chapel or Chapel vestibule per Covid-19 mandate.**

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Snyder—908-232-4817 (auntkik@comcast.net) or Marianne Taylor—908-233-6074.

NEW ADORERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !

Adoration Chapel Candles

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



**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.

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.

PLEASE – save yourself and our parish staff a great deal of time and trouble --Visit the PARISH office and register!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

A few tweets from Pope Francis...

Today, too, the Spirit is calling men and women to set out and encounter all those who are waiting to discover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Christian faith

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*Everything we would like others to do for us, let us do for them instead (cf. Mt 7:12). Do we want to be heard? Let us first listen. Do we need encouragement? Let us give encouragement. Do we want someone to care for us? Let us care for those who are alone and abandoned.

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.

Monies received to date: **\$ 51,843.00**

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

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

Ascension of The Lord

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 a number of dioceses, Sunday celebrates the **Ascension of the Lord**.

This is our last week of the Easter Season and of the readings from the **Acts of the Apostles**.

The Apostles carry on the work of Jesus and the future community takes shape with the gift of the Holy Spirit being given to the gentiles.

The **"Priestly Prayer"** of Jesus which we read in the gospels this week lets us listen in on the prayer of Jesus for his disciples, and for us.

He doesn't ask the Father to take us from the world, but we can tell that he is concerned for us. It is tender and feels quite personal. We are the Father's gift to Jesus, entrusted to his care and now he prays that we might all be one, that the world might know it was the Father who sent Jesus.

Friday of this week takes us to the end of the **Fourth Gospel** and image of Jesus shaping Peter's ministry (and ours). If we love him, then he asks us to feed his sheep.

Saturday's gospel brings us back to the Last Supper and the closing verses of John's Gospel, as well as a closing out of the Easter season's weekday readings.

Sunday is the great feast of **Pentecost** - the birthday of the Church. The frightened Apostles are on fire. Now they can speak clearly, so everyone can understand them. Jesus gives his peace to his disciples and breathes his Spirit upon them, giving them the mission to forgive and sending them to carry out his desire that we all be one.

***Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.***

*Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html
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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

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

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 for returning families has passed!

If you haven't registered yet, please get your registration in ASAP. It's important for the planning of our programs for the upcoming year. **New families may register at any time.**

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 **5 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

We have now completed the virtual 2020-2021 Faith Formation school year!

Thanks to our catechists and parents for the support, flexibility, cooperation, and dedication to our children that contributed to the success of the program. We began the school year with many unknowns, but we were able to use technology to proclaim the Good News of Jesus to our children!

For those with outstanding work, please go back with your children and complete all missing assignments.

7th Grade: Please return your *Altaration and Faith Fusion* books to the brown bin outside the Our Lady of Lourdes school door.

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL

Wednesday, May 19 @ 7:00 PM

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION

Friday, May 21 @ 7:00 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!

It's Time for Faith Formation

If you have a child entering 1st grade in the Fall and attending public school, it's time to register your child for Faith Formation.

The Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist take place in 2nd grade, but the preparation is a 2 year process that begins in 1st grade.

Please contact the Faith Formation office or visit our website ollfaithformation.org, and click on the registration tab for more information.

If you have a child entering 2nd or 9th grades and attending Catholic school, please contact the Faith Formation office to register for the Sacraments of 1st Eucharis, Reconciliation or Confirmation.



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.

BROTHERS IN CHRIST

THE MEN'S GROUP OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WILL HAVE A MEETING ON MAY 17, 2021 AT 7 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.



**May 9th = \$4639.00
Repair Fund= \$1497.00**



SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

May 16th: Catholic Home Missions

CLERGY ANNIVERSARIES

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

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



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